Advent (from the Latin word adventus, meaning "coming") is considered to be the beginning of the Church Year for most churches in the Western tradition. It begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas Day, which is the Sunday nearest 30 November, and ends on Christmas Eve (December 24). If Christmas Eve is a Sunday, it is counted as the fourth Sunday of Advent, with Christmas Eve proper beginning at sundown.

The readings for the first part of Advent come from the Prophet Isaiah. They are full of wonderful promises of a time in which Hope will be restored. In the midst of conflict and division, there will be an incredible peace, with the lion lying down with the lamb. These are not just historical situations at the time of Isaiah. These prophesies are meant to restore Hope in us, in our time, in our struggles.

Prayer

God of hope, who brought love into this world,
be the love that dwells between us.

God of hope, who brought peace into this world,
be the peace that dwells between us.

God of hope, who brought joy into this world,
be the joy that dwells between us.

God of hope, the rock we stand upon,
be the centre, the focus of our lives
always, and particularly this Advent time.

(faithandworship.com)
FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Dear Members of the Mount Lilydale Mercy College Community

I am often told that we do not like change and yet our lives are constantly full of it and nothing reminds me of that more than these past few weeks whereby a theme “New Endings and New Beginnings” purveys.

Last Sunday we farewelled the end of the Church’s Liturgical year with the Feast of Christ the King and the closing of the door for the Year of Mercy. This Sunday we started the season of Advent, about which Pope Francis said in his Homily:

“In this season of Advent, we are called to enlarge the horizons of our hearts, to be surprised by the life which is presented each day with its novelty. In order to do this we need to learn to not depend on our own securities, our own consolidated plans, because the Lord comes in the hour which we don’t imagine. This introduces us to a much more beautiful, and great, dimension.”

Last Monday I had the pleasure of attending the Graduation of the Class of 2016, and indeed it was a time to reflect and be proud. For this group of special young people, their graduation marked the end of some thirteen years of formal education, and for most will be the last time that they will be together as a group. How very quickly they will disperse to either work, TAFE courses or university, some in Victoria and some interstate. Facebook and social media may make staying connected easier, but the busyness of their lives will mean that some friendships will be lost. Let us continue to pray for our Graduating class as they await their results and move off into the world, away from the community that has nurtured them. “Endings and Beginnings”.

Last week also saw the Graduating Class of 2017 complete their Academic Foundation Program (AFP). Having completed all Year 11 exams, assessment tasks and course requirements, Year 11 finalised their year with an Awards Ceremony and day of celebration. The very next day they started as Year 12 students. They too farewelled a number of students that have decided to transition to TAFE or work.

Last week also saw Year 10 of 2016 complete their exams and finalise their year with an Award Ceremony and celebration. Today they start their AFP as the Year 11 Class of 2017 and the Graduating Class of 2018. As they farewell Year 10, new opportunities arise for each and every one of them as they progress their studies and involvement in our College.

For each of us each ending is an opportunity for a new beginning and one which we should encounter with an open heart and an open mind. If we do so, we might surprise ourselves about all that we are truly capable.

As we approach the end of the year, it would remiss of me not to acknowledge the work of a dedicated staff here at Mount Lilydale Mercy College and a staff in whom I take great pride. A number of staff have decided to leave our community and pursue other endeavours and I wish them every blessing as they depart.

- Mr Michael Haywood is retiring
- Mrs Joan D’Abreo is retiring
- Mrs Ann Raynor is retiring
- Mr Dominic Hardiman has accepted a position at Parade College
- Ms Kathleen McMenamin has accepted a position at Santa Maria College
- Mrs Amey Schuffelen, after 12 months leave, has resigned from the College
- Mr Thomas Leydon is taking 12 months leave to travel
- Miss Emily Attardi is taking 12 months leave
- Mr John Kingma is taking 12 months leave
- Mr John Ioannou’s contract has finished
- Mr David Miles’ contract has finished
- Mr Gary Hearnes’ contract has finished
- Ms Hannah Davidson’s contract has finished
- Miss Emma Thornhill’s contract has finished

May these staff go in peace knowing we are thankful for their contribution.

Night of Excellence

The College will celebrate with our Night of Excellence on Monday 12 December 2016. Please take this opportunity to attend, give thanks and celebrate the successes of the year.
PERSONAL PARS

Sadly members of our Community suffer the loss of loved ones and are in need of our prayers, love and support. Please remember and pray for:

- Constantine Lintzeris, father of Tatiana (Year 8), who passed away after a long battle with cancer;
- Scott Sinclair, father of the triplets Abbey, Kelsey and Lachlan (Year 11) who passed away suddenly in hospital last week; and
- Bill Sutherland, grandfather to Lachlan Cox (Year 8) who passed away last Friday.

Let us remember and pray for the repose of the soul of Constantine, Scott and Bill. May they rest in peace with our Father in Heaven and may their families find strength in the comfort of loved ones.

The dates for the first week of Term 1 2017 are:

- Wednesday 1 February 2017 – Year 7 and Year 12 students commence
- Thursday 2 February 2017 – All Students at the College
- Friday 3 February 2017 – Student Photos taken

God Bless

Philip A Morison
Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL STUDIES - MICHAEL JOHNSTON

As the school year draws to a close, we begin a new liturgical year with the season of Advent. These next few weeks can be so busy as we deal with urgent matters in the lead up to Christmas and holidays. Make sure you take the time to remember the truly important things that give life meaning.

College activities occurring during this final week include:

- Wednesday, 30 November Year 9 Mass (11am) and Year 9 Awards Ceremony (9am)
- Thursday, 1 December Year 7 Mass (11am) and Year 7 Awards Ceremony (9am)
- Thursday, 1 December Year 8 Mass (9am) and Year 8 Awards Ceremony (11am)
- Thursday, 1 December Classes conclude for Years 7, 8, 9 & 10 at 3.15pm

Some parents have questioned why not all award ceremonies take place at the start of the school day. These times revolve around the availability of a priest to celebrate the various year level Eucharistic celebrations.

A detailed list of dates for the 2017 school year was published in the previous Newsletter (14 November).

A reminder that commencement dates for the 2017 school year are:

- Wednesday, 1 February Year 7 and Year 12 students commence
- Thursday, 2 February All students at school

In 2017 the Japan Study Tour will take place. Tentative dates are Saturday, 16 September until Tuesday, 2 October. The tour will be open to students in Years 10 & 11 in 2017. Preference will be given to students studying Japanese but non language students are also invited to apply. The cost of the trip will be approximately $3,600, but the final figure will depend on the size of the group. The program involves an immersion experience with our sister school, Horyuji International High School in Nara, as well as time in Hiroshima and Tokyo. Further details can be obtained by contacting Mr Johnston. Students can make application for the tour by writing an expression of interest letter to Mr Morison, outlining why they would like to participate in the tour and what they would hope to gain from it. These letters should be delivered to Student Reception in a clearly marked envelope by Tuesday, 29 November.

Related to this is the news that in March of 2017, our school community will host staff and students from 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 many years. Students interested in participating in the Japan Study Tour later in the year are strongly encouraged to act as hosts for the Horyuji visit. Horyuji have indicated that they have around 12 students involved in the visit so I encourage you to consider hosting. 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 1334 or via email mjohston@mlicm.vic.edu.au

Michael Johnston
Deputy Principal - Studies
FROM THE ACTING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL STUDENTS - JOHN RODGERS

**GRADUATION**

Congratulations to the Graduating Class of 2016. Monday night was a wonderful experience celebrating the involvement of community. It is always a night of mixed emotions as you farewell those you have shared many years with but also a night of pride and joy as you recognise how mature they have become, ready for their next stage in life. I wish all students and their families all the very best of success in whatever they choose to do. Our doors are always open.

**CYBER SAFETY**

Recently I wrote of the improvements made to the Bullying? No Way! webpage and how useful its resources can be in starting a conversation with your child about how to best manage a bullying situation. For many parents the issue of their child’s use of the online world is of equal concern. To help better understand the online world and to help better manage your child’s use of the internet, I would like to draw your attention to another resource that helps us educate children on how to deal with online usage.

The Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner [https://www.esafety.gov.au/](https://www.esafety.gov.au/) is designed to support young people to have positive online experiences and aims to empower all Australians to explore the online world safely. Their site has some good information on safety with specific attention on the following issues:

- Balancing online time
- Digital reputation
- Online gaming
- Social networking
- Unwanted contact
- Sexting
- Cyberbullying
- Offensive or illegal content
- Photos, videos and social media
- Trolling
- Protecting personal information
- Unwanted contact
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The webpage has several useful services, including links to trusted partners relating to online safety. You are encouraged to explore these to help you and your child better understand the online world and put in place practices that allow for safe and rewarding experiences.

Another interesting feature of the webpage is its information on Apps and Games. There are many links to further information on some of the best trending games. The information provided highlights if there are any in game purchases that can quickly add up to a ‘free game’ being quite expensive. Importantly, the links also give information regarding age appropriateness for each game.

The Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner also has a help page that has contacts for immediate help, support for kids, support for parents and links for reporting.

John Rodgers
Acting Deputy Principal - Students

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL OF MISSION - ELIZABETH KEOGH

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Operation Christmas Child is a project in which thousands of gift filled shoe-boxes are shipped to children who are less fortunate than us in order to make their Christmas as special as ours. This project is run by an organisation called Samaritan’s Purse who collect shoe boxes from many countries such as Canada, Spain, America and the U.K. Boxes from Australia and New Zealand are sent to South-East Asia and go to children in Cambodia, Paupa New Guinea and the Philippines. Donated items are used to fill up the shoe boxes, items such as things to love and things to play with, personal hygiene items and clothing. Each year level had a different age group to target for either boys or girls. Our class added gifts for two, three and four year old girls to enjoy. We all took time during homeroom to fill the boxes with gifts from the list and put in nine dollars for postage per box. By the end, we felt happier due to doing something for others. We all felt an emotional connection to the children who would receive our boxes even though we don’t know who our special box will end up with. For Mount Lilydale Mercy College to be part of an international Christmas project was a great opportunity, and we hope the boxes sent this year will brighten the lives of many children.

Jaidyn Askham, Lucy Roger and Krishia Catungal | 7 White
Family Service of Carols

Tuesday 29 November
6.00 – 7.30pm

An informal gathering but a great way to start preparing for Christmas

Come along and bring the family and a picnic or buy a sausage from the BBQ.
Dress the children as shepherds, angels or kings.
Candles and Carol Booklets on sale.

Hope to see you.
FROM THE REGISTRAR

APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 7 2019

If you have children who are currently in Grade 4 it is now time to apply for 2019. If you have not received an application form for a sibling, please contact the office and we will send one to you.

SECOND-HAND BOOKS

If you have books you wish to buy or sell, please consider using our second-hand forum which can be found under the Information tab on the College website. [http://web.mlmclilydale.catholic.edu.au/forum/](http://web.mlmclilydale.catholic.edu.au/forum/)

Please note that there is NO general book sale organised this year.

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM


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FROM THE IT DEPARTMENT - IT WORKS IN THE COLLEGE DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Please note the IT Staff will be conducting IT maintenance works from 19 December 2017 to 13 January 2017.

During this time, access to College web sites may be disrupted. IT Staff will endeavour to keep disruptions to minimum. Thank you for your understanding.

FROM THE BUS COORDINATOR

A REMINDER TO ALL FAMILIES WHO USE GOVERNMENT FUNDED MYKI CARDS:

The 2017 Victorian Public Transport Concession Card Application form will be available for completion in mid-January. Eligible families will receive an SMS with a link to the school website, asking you to please fill out the form and return it to MLMC Reception by 8 February. Every student who is eligible for a Government Funded MYKI needs to return this form.

To prepare for this application over the holidays, we suggest having two passport size photos ready and the correct money (we have not been advised yet of 2017 cost but will notify you in mid-January, it was $9 in 2016) to submit with your form.

Students with 2016 Government MYKI cards will be able to use these cards up until the end of February. However, to ensure students have 2017 cards before the expiry date, we require all forms to be submitted by no later than Wednesday 8 February.

New students to the college will be required to use their own personal MYKI or make alternative travel arrangements until Government Funded MYKI’s become available.

We appreciate your assistance in returning these forms to MLMC Reception by Wednesday 8 February.

Amy Sheehy
Bus Coordinator
MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Auditions for 2017 Music Scholarships will take place after school on Tuesday 29 November and Wednesday 30 November in the Music Department, SLR 1.1. Collect a form from Mrs Flint in the Music Department or email sflint@mlmc.vic.edu.au. Scholarship forms need to be handed in to Reception or the Music Department as soon as possible.

END OF YEAR MUSIC CONCERT

On Tuesday 22 November, 57 students from the Instrumental Music Program, Year 8 Classroom Music and various ensembles performed in our End of Year Music Concert. Parents, grandparents and friends had the privilege of watching some of our very talented musical students within the College. Solo Performances included Singers, Pianists, Guitarists, Violinists, Flute, Saxophone and Drums, while ensembles included A Capella (Junior & Senior), Band, Guitar and Violin. We were also fortunate to have two special performances by Kool Skools and a very entertaining performance by Peter Verhagen and Emily Keagan. The Year 8 Classroom Music students who have worked on several pieces of music throughout Semester 2, were outstanding in their performance, we were very proud of each and every one.

The Music Department would like to thank Diana Doidge, and the Instrumental Music teachers for the dedication and time they put into the music students throughout the year and in preparation for the Music Concert.

Last but not least, a very big THANK YOU to our amazing technical crew, Peter Verhagen, Ashley Greene, Jake Rickard, Chloe De Groot, Joel Peters and the incredible Stage Manager, Isabella Preston, who made sure this night ran as smoothly as possible behind the scenes at all times.
The Mount Lilydale Mercy College Old Collegians' Association are hosting the inaugural Yarra Valley Film Festival on Saturday 4 March 2017. The Festival will include a twilight market, art exhibition and live entertainment. The Old Collegians' Association would like to invite anyone who would like to participate or get involved in the planning of the event. Volunteers are needed, as well as stalls for the Twilight market. Please register your interest at ec@mlmc.vic.edu.au.

"The Yarra Valley Film Festival is seeking corporate sponsorship and prizes with the opportunity to promote supporters on the big screen on the night as well as on social media."

For more information about the event, go to: https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/yarra-valley-film-fest-free-event-tickets-29317425208

More exciting announcements to come!

The Mount Lilydale Mercy College Old Collegians' Association
presents

A FREE community event under the stars of the Yarra Valley.

The Yarra Valley Film Festival
Saturday March 4, 2017 Let the films roll!

BOOK your FREE ticket NOW @ www.YVFF.eventbrite.com.au

Showcasing the best in short films, local wines, beers, ciders and food!

Twilight Market – Live Music – Art Exhibition – Jumping Castle & More!

Proudly supported by Yarra Ranges Council

THE VALUE OF READING: MORE THAN SIMPLY ACADEMIC

You may have heard of the academic benefits of regular reading for pleasure, but did you know that reading also has other benefits? Studies have shown that daily reading for pleasure increases:

- emotional intelligence,
- self-identity,
- creativity and imagination,
- well-being, focus and relaxation.

At Mount Lilydale Mercy College students in Years 7-10 actively participate in daily 15 minute Sustained Silent Reading (SSR) sessions and fortnightly SSR sessions in the College Libraries. The College Libraries support the SSR program by providing welcoming and comfortable spaces for students to enjoy reading a wide range of print materials. This program provided by the College, along with parental encouragement, provides students with the opportunity to read for pleasure and supports a range of positive outcomes for young adults.
Regular reading for pleasure is associated with enhanced reading proficiency and academic results. Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) reading assessments have identified that students who read daily for enjoyment score the equivalent of one-and-a-half years of schooling better than those who do not read daily. Regular reading assists with the improvement of reading, comprehension and writing skills. These skills are utilised throughout the lives of students, including across the various curriculum areas provided by the College.

During the teen years where social relationships and student wellbeing can be challenged, reading for pleasure supports both academic development and the development of a well-balanced teen.

To search the Oliver catalogue and reserve or request books visit: http://library.mlmc/lilydale.catholic.edu.au/oliver/opac/search.do

For more information about research into reading:


STUDENTS ACHIEVE OUTSTANDING RESULTS AT THE LILYDALE SHOW

Young Farmers at Mount Lilydale undertake a range of challenging and rewarding experiences each year. Among these are shows, camps and farm work. Our last event of the 2016 calendar is the Lilydale Show, a fitting way to cap off a great year’s work.

At this year’s show, students managed and showed goats and poultry, achieving outstanding results in both competitions. Our birds placed first and third in the backyard section and we placed first for doe with progeny and 6-12 month doe sections in the goats.

Our students had a crucial role in running the goat show on the Sunday, from the start of the day at 8am until the conclusion of the show at 5pm. Our students not only cared for and handled the animals in the ring, but they were directly involved in running the entire event. Young Farmers students set up the pens, maintained the show arena and dismantled and cleaned the entire pavilion afterward. By 5pm our students had worked through a very hot and demanding day to ensure that a wonderful event was available to the local community but also competitors from as far away as Cohuna.

I would like to encourage both staff and parents to pencil in the Lilydale Show in 2017 and pay the goat competition a visit as it is a great way to see the very best our community has to offer. I would like to thank Sally Wingett, my wife and our wonderful parent volunteers for their hard work on the day to ensure that our students were, as always, so well supported.

Tim Thompson
Assistant Year 12 Coordinator
The 2015 Mount Lilydale Cabernet recently won a silver medal in the Eltham Wine Show. A significant show for small winemakers, this achievement is a testament to the effort and dedication shown by our Year 10 Agriculture students and the Young Farmers group. Fully immersed in the wine process including growing and picking the grapes and creating the wine, students have applied a range of skills and knowledge to bring this product to market and now win a significant award.

The 2015 vintage is almost sold out. Be sure to watch out for the 2016 pre-release offer in mid 2017. Our current vintage in barrel is bold and flavor packed, much is to be expected of the next release. Students should also consider joining the Young Farmers and experiencing all that the wonders and personal growth that Agriculture can offer.

Many thanks to all the wonderful staff who give so much of themselves to support the young farmers, but particularly Sally Wingett, Andrew Feher and Jessica Tipping.

Tim Thompson
Assistant Year 12 Level Leader

Well done to Year 9 Horticulture students who entered produce in the Lilydale show.

Mixed lettuce seeds from the Diggers Club were sown in the classroom, transplanted to the plots and then the best examples were entered in the Show.

Laura Del Biondo and Lily Hourn received first place for their Tango lettuce and second place for their Amish Deer tongue.

Madi Wightman and Sophie Licciardi received third place for their Freckles Bunte lettuce.

Guest speakers have been an important part of the Horticulture program this year. The students benefit greatly from listening to experts with a background in Horticulture.

Robyn Stewart from Seasol visited and presented information on the benefits of using Seasol as a soil conditioner. All students received a Seasol gift pack to take home and use in their gardens.

Pete McEvoy from Fairbank International Seed Company visited and presented information on types of lettuce and potatoes available to growers. The class received some Mini Roma seedlings that they can try out in the plots at school.

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### Sports Awards 2016

On Wednesday 16 November, students, teachers and parents gathered in the Doyle Centre for our annual Sports Awards Night to recognise the outstanding achievements of our students on the sporting field throughout the year. We were joined by Brad Hughes, Mount Lilydale Old Collegians’ Football President and Brooke Stratton, our guest speaker for the evening. It was a fantastic night celebrating student success and great to hear from Brooke, who has recently competed at the Rio Olympics in the Long Jump event. Hopefully our students can take some inspiration away from her story and help them to achieve their goals on the sporting field. Thank you to all those who attended and showed their support towards the Sporting Program at the College.

### Swimming Year Level Champions 2016

- **Year 7**: Dom Kaczmarek & Jack Silvester
- **Year 8**: Megan Wobbes & Matthew Perry
- **Year 9**: Keilani Trewavis & Matthew Phillips
- **Year 10**: Jasmine Hendriks & Travis Rowden
- **Year 11**: Daniella Zappia & Tom Royle
- **Year 12**: Nicole Roberts & Cody McKellar
- Excellence in Swimming – Keilani Trewavis and Matthew Perry
Athletics Year Level Champions 2016
Year 7  Sophie Jaworski, Lucy Rogers & Luke Phillips
Year 8  Matilda Kelly & Riley Swankie
Year 9  Alana McGurgan & Declan Taylor
Year 10 Serena Gibbs & Joshua Hausler
Year 11 Chloe Leenan & Kyle Stokes
Year 12 Jorga Borg & Aiden Pace
Excellence in Athletics – Olivia De Vincentis and Harrison Van Duuren

Cross Country Year Level Champions 2016
Year 7  Olivia De Vincentis & Max Benson
Year 8  Ebony Smark & Harrison van Duuren
Year 9  Ella Garrett, Todd Garner & Riley Dawson Muir
Year 10 Emerson Woods & Jay Harris
Year 11 Stacey Fleming & Mo Mohamed
Year 12 Emily Clements & Cody McKellar
Excellence in Cross Country – Ella Garrett, Alana McGurgan and Max Benson

Year 9 Girls – Spring 2015

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Year 9 Boys – Summer 2016

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Hockey Lachie Young Harry Stolzenhain Liam Charles
Softball Daniel Schlueter Riley Atwell Ange Englezos
Ultimate Frisbee Harrison Keeling Eden Champion Jordan Jaworski
Basketball A Darcy Harrison
Basketball B Jasmine McDine Ivy Ferguson-Mayer
Tennis A Anthony Cappellucci Pat Deed
Tennis B Connor Dennis Brad Wehlauer

Senior Girls – Summer 2016

EISM Sport Best and Fairest Coach’s Award
Indoor Cricket Serena Gibbs Izzy Gill
Softball Emily Corbett Steph Durant
Volleyball Jamie Hirshfeld Cailin Moerth
Basketball A Mikeely Dell Rebekah Kelly
Basketball B Amy Bourke Ana Malnar
Tennis Emily Campagna Neve Napier
Ultimate Frisbee Emily Campagna Molly Mackinnon

Senior Boys – Summer 2016

EISM Sport Best and Fairest Coach’s Award
Hockey Daniel Kennedy Eddie Clark
Softball Thomas Eaton Will Page
Cricket Mitch Dall Jordan Trollope
Basketball A Xavier Hennessy Jackson Lowe
Basketball B Rhys Deray Jay Harris
Table Tennis A Jacob Starnawski Aaron Campbell
Table Tennis B Travis Rowden Nathan Campbell

Summer All Stars
Girls Basketball – Emerson Woods
Girls Indoor Cricket – Serena Gibbs (captain), Izzy Gill and Simone Esmonde (coach)
Girls Tennis – Emily Campagna
Girls Ultimate Frisbee – Livy Henry
Girls Softball – Emily Corbett and Steph Durant
Boys Basketball – Xavier Hennessy
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### Year 9 Girls – Winter 2016

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### Winter All Stars

- Girls Football: Emerson Woods, Georgia Macpherson & Jorja Borg
- Girls Soccer: Emily Busacca & Rebekah Kelly
- Girls Netball: Serena Gibbs
- Boys Football: Joel Koger & Isaac Biasuzzo
- Boys Soccer: Alex Burn
- Boys Volleyball: Nathan Schubank
- Boys Badminton: Darcey Howard- Scales
Old Collegians Football & Soccer Awards 2016
Football – Georgia Macpherson & Alex Condello
Soccer – Emily Busacca & Nicholas Salvitti

Excellence in Equestrian 2016
Tia-Rae Wieneroider

Excellence in Weightlifting 2016
Hailee Stokes, Emily McIntyre & Bailey Stokes
Congratulations to everyone!

Student Achievements

Football
Congratulations to Todd Garner (Year 9) who is currently in China playing football as part of the Flying Kangaroos Youth Team. Todd also leaves us this year to join his brother, Joel, at Scotch College as part of their Football program – we wish him all the very best with his football career.

Equestrian
Congratulations to Mikayla Byrne (Year 9) who competed in The Show Horse Council Classic Show on the weekend. Her hard work has resulted in a Grand National Qualifier for her ridden entry on the weekend. Mikayla is now off to compete in Sydney in 2017 against competitors Australia and New Zealand wide. She was also awarded Runner Up in the Child's Show Hunter Hack 15-16hh. Well done Mikayla, a fantastic achievement!

If you have any student achievement news, please email dwebb@mlmc.vic.edu.au.
Administration Assistant (0.6 FTE Part-Time Ongoing)

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The successful applicant for this part-time ongoing position will be working in the MEL Executive Office at Alphington providing support to the Mercy Education Executive, Board Directors and School Leadership personnel of the twelve schools governed by MEL. Excellent communication skills, relevant qualifications and administrative experience are essential, and a background in an education environment will be highly regarded.

Applications are sought from people with recent and well developed secretarial and computer skills, including a sound knowledge of the complete Microsoft Office suite. Experience in database management and web applications would be desirable. Personal qualities would include being an effective team player, of a confidential nature, organised and methodical.

This is a part-time role and applicants should note their preference to work the required 22.8 hours across three, four or five days per week. The salary is commensurate with experience and is categorised as an Education Support Employee Category A under the Victorian Catholic Education Multi Enterprise Agreement 2013. The position commences Monday 30th January, 2017.

Detailed information and required application procedures for the position are available at: www.mercy.edu.au/employment. Formal applications are to be addressed to the Executive Officer, Mr Eugene Lynch, and emailed to: eugene.lynch@mercy.edu.au

APPLICATIONS CLOSE AT
4:00PM FRIDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2016

An insight into the work of Mercy Education may be obtained by visiting our website: www.mercy.edu.au

Mercy Education Limited    ABN: 69 154 531 870
ReachOut Parents provides evidence-based practical support and tips that encourage effective communication and relationships between parents and young people aged 12–18 years, as well as easy-to-read information on a range of mental health and wellbeing issues.

The service features more than 140 fact sheets, stories, practical tips and tools, and provides access to an online community forum so that parents can connect with each other to share experiences in an anonymous, supportive space.

New stories, fact sheets and features, as well as a coaching program delivered in partnership with the Benevolent Society, will be added to ReachOut.com/Parents throughout the year.

About ReachOut Australia

ReachOut is Australia’s leading online mental health organisation for young people, providing practical support to help them get through everything from everyday issues to tough times.

Since 1998, ReachOut has worked alongside young people to deliver online tools that address youth mental health and reduce youth suicide. An extension to ReachOut’s service for young people was launched in 2016 to help parents and carers improve the mental health and wellbeing of the young people within their family environment.

Available anytime and pretty much anywhere, ReachOut.com is accessed by 110,000 Australians each month. That’s more than 1.31 million people each year.
ORIENTATION DAY UNIFORM SALES AT MOUNT LILYDALE MERCY COLLEGE UNIFORM SHOP
TUESDAY 6th DECEMBER 2016 9am - 2:00pm

LAST TRADING WEEK 2016

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Students' Last Day
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BACK TO SCHOOL TRADING HOURS

JANUARY 2017

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### IMPORTANT INFORMATION: CALCULATORS FOR 2017

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### PURCHASE INSTRUCTIONS FOR TI-NSPRIE CAS CALCULATORS

The TI-Nspire calculators may be purchased from Haines Educational as per the instructions below. This arrangement has been made with Haines to reduce the cost of the new calculator for parents. Preloved calculators may be used.

**COST:** TI-Nspire CX CAS Inc. free wallet and pre-registered 3 year warranty and USB wall charger $213 ($205 without charger)

**MOUNT LILYDALE MERCY COLLEGE CALCULATOR PORTAL INSTRUCTIONS**

It’s easy, just follow the steps below.

2. Click on portal link (underneath the My Cart box) halfway down page on left side
3. Enter code `mlmc` (lower case only), School portal page will open
4. Follow the instructions and add your required calculator package
5. Check that details are correct in **MY CART** (yellow box on left), proceed to checkout
6. Ensure that the **Student’s Name** is entered (required for delivery at College)
7. Add details, address and contact number (Ignore any ticks in boxes as delivery will be to College)
8. Complete payment method (Mastercard or Visa only available)
9. Click on Place Order, (a confirmation email will be sent to you, retain for collection/taxation purposes.
10. Click on return to home page (at top of page) Order completed

**Any problems ring Haines Educational  87366000**

**Deadlines:**
- 20/01/2017 for 30/01/2017 delivery to MLMC
- 10/02/2017 for 17/02/2017 delivery to MLMC

Orders made after these dates will incur a $12 delivery fee
2017 Instrumental Music Program Information

Music plays an important part in the life of our College. We offer individual one-to-one tuition in:

- Voice
- Piano
- Guitar
- Drums
- Cello
- Violin
- Clarinet*
- Flute*
- Trumpet*
- Trombone*
- French Horn*
- Saxophone*

*We offer group lessons for ALL students in Woodwind and Brass

We have a wide range of strings, wind and brass instruments available for loan at no cost with tuition.

(Bond required for all Loans. Information is available from the Music Department.)

- **Enrolment:** Upon receiving your completed enrolment form, you will receive confirmation of enrolment via email. The music department will contact the student and parent via email informing them of their first lesson day, time and venue. Once a student is enrolled, enrolment is automatically rolled-over term to term, unless withdrawn. (Withdrawal from lessons is outlined below).

- **Lesson Type:**
  - Private - 30 mins one-to-one lessons $36 per lesson
  - Group - 30 mins (Woodwind and Brass) $23.75 per lesson
  - Instrumental plus Theory 45 min - $54 per lesson

  (Group lesson availability is conditional upon number of student enrolment).

- **Occurrence:** 32 lessons spread across the year. Tuition is on the same day each week, times are on a rotating timetable, all students will receive 8 instrumental music lessons per term. Upon request, a regular lesson time may be negotiated with the Instrumental Music Secretary depending on availability.

- **Fees:**
  - Administration fee: $85 (This is an annual payment and will be added to the first Term fee)
  - Term Fee:
    - Private: $288 per Term
    - Group: $190 per Term
    - Instrumental plus Theory 45 mins: $432 per Term

- **Scholarships:** 24 Instrumental Scholarships equal to half the fees of private instrumental/vocal lessons for the year are available upon audition, to successful applicants. This reduces the fee to $144 per term. See the application form attached for more details.

- **Absence from lesson:** If a student knows that they will be absent from school on the day of their lesson due to camps, excursions, test, medical appointments etc., they are required to notify the Instrumental Music Secretary at least one week in advance, via email sflint@mlmc.vic.edu.au or phone 9739 2217. If a student is ill on the day of their lesson, parents must make contact with the Instrumental Music Secretary on 9739 2217 no later than 8.30am, otherwise the full fee will be charged. All non-notified absences will be charged: Parents/Guardian will be notified of the absence via sms.

  As our teachers are sometimes engaged in other professional activities at short notice, a “Catch Up” lesson will be scheduled as soon as possible.

- **Withdrawal from lessons:** No student may withdraw from Instrumental Music Lessons during a term, except at the request of the instrumental teacher. Lessons may only cease at the end of a term. A Notice of withdrawal form must be completed and signed four weeks **before** the end of term if lessons are to be cancelled, then given to Mrs Sharon Flint in the Music Department. Withdrawal forms are available from the Music Department.

- **Ensembles:** All students enrolled in our instrumental music program must participate in at least one (1) of our ensembles.

  - Concert Band (Tuesday 3.30 to 5.30pm)
  - Junior A Capella Ensemble (Wednesday lunchtimes)
  - Guitar Ensemble (Wednesday lunchtimes)
  - String Ensemble (Thursday lunchtimes)
  - Choir (Thursday 3.30 to 5.00pm)
  - Senior A Capella Ensemble (Friday lunchtimes)

**Enrolment in the Instrumental Music Program is very simple.** Complete the following form and return it to Reception or the Music Department. Any questions can be forwarded to Mrs Sharon Flint (Instrumental Music Secretary) on 9739 2217 or email sflint@mlmc.vic.edu.au

This school community promotes the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children | Page 20
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 _______________________________

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