From the Acting Principal

Dear Parents, Students and Friends of Monte Sant’ Angelo

As we continue to improve the facilities at the school, we have been involved in a program of refurbishment of No. 5 and Nos. 21-23 McLaren Street. Last Friday afternoon the staff participated in a naming celebration of the newly refurbished and the existing cottages on McLaren Street. Sr Carmel has been researching significant people in relation to our Mercy Heritage. In consultation with the Sisters of Mercy, Sr Carmel has confirmed the naming of each of the buildings. Father Tom McDonough blessed the buildings and the Parents and Friends held a function for the staff, the Sisters of Mercy and members of the Board. The following is a brief explanation of the new names for the buildings:

Kinsmore Business Centre, 5 McLaren Street (Business Office, IT)
Named after Sr Eugene Kinsmore. Ellen Kinsmore was born in 1910 in Victoria. She entered the Sisters of Mercy in 1928. Sr Mary Eugene was a born teacher. Her keen mind equipped her to become the brilliant Maths teacher that she was. She taught at Tempe, Mosman, Monte Sant’ Angelo, and Mercy College Chatswood. When she retired she had been teaching Mathematics for 60 years. She was known for her patience and genuine love of her students. Sr Mary Eugene died in 1997.

Callaghan Cottage, 9 McLaren Street (Religious Education and Languages Departments)
Named after Sr Eugene Callaghan. Ellen Kinsmore was born in 1910 in Victoria. She entered the Sisters of Mercy in 1928. Sr Mary Eugene was a born teacher. Her keen mind equipped her to become the brilliant Maths teacher that she was. She taught at Tempe, Mosman, Monte Sant’ Angelo, and Mercy College Chatswood. When she retired she had been teaching Mathematics for 60 years. She was known for her patience and genuine love of her students. Sr Mary Eugene died in 1997.

Casey Cottage, 11 McLaren Street (Development Office)
Named after Sr Mary Aloysius Casey. Honoria Casey was born in Sydney in 1849 and she entered the Sisters of Mercy in 1868. She was named in religion St Mary Aloysius. Following in the footsteps of Mother Ignatius McQuuin, Sr Mary Aloysius was for many years the Congregational Leader. During her tenure as leader, Sr Mary Aloysius expanded the works of the Sisters of Mercy North Sydney, established the Waitara Foundling Home in 1898, the Mater Misericordiae Hospital in 1906, and Our Lady Star of the Sea Convent and School at Watsons Bay in 1910. She also established convents and schools in Mosman, Chatswood and Waitara. She was a woman who was large hearted, possessing a congenial personality and she generated in those around her a spirit of enthusiasm for the works of Mercy. Her foresight and planning were two of her key attributes. Sr Mary Aloysius died after a short illness in 1911.

Geary House, 21-23 McLaren Street (Heads of Year; Sport; Student Support Services; Higher Education & Careers)
Named after Mother Ambrose Geary. Grace Geary was born in Scone NSW in 1876. She entered the Sisters of Mercy North Sydney in 1896 and was professed Sr Mary Ambrose in 1898. Sr Mary Ambrose came to Monte with the reputation for being a great educator and teacher and took up the role of headmistress in 1912. She was competent, gracious and forward-thinking and was keen to follow new trends in education. At the time the College had only 180 pupils who concentrated their studies on art, music and elocution. The school was located in one big hall which did not meet the emerging needs for effective teaching of the new methods, so major changes had to be made. As headmistress, Sr Mary Ambrose had a strong influence over the spirit of the school. She enthusiastically taught Maths and English. Under her guidance, Mathematics was expanded to include Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry, and Science was introduced. She also ensured the girls were taught knitting, needlework and dressmaking. Sr Mary Ambrose changed the culture of Monte to a successful academic environment, so that by 1916 students successfully sat for the Intermediate Certificate.
and Leaving Certificate and the school fulfilled the requirements for registration and inspection. Sr Mary Ambrose moved from Monte in 1922. She died in September 1944.

On Sunday we held the Biamunga Community Day. The events began with a smoking ceremony for the naming of the pond by Uncle Max and Aunty Elaine. The name of the pond is Bindarray Ga. It is a deeply respectful term related to the power of water from this country. It is connected with honouring water and honouring the river and the ancestors from where the stones were given to Aunty Elaine and are now placed in the pond.

This week saw some excellent achievements in Sports. The Monte 1 Senior Basketball team won the NSWCCC Basketball Championship; this is the first time Monte has ever won this competition. I would also like to congratulate Harriet Gillson who has been selected in the U16’s women’s NSW Combined High School Volleyball Team.

This week the College held it’s annual celebration of NAIDOC Week. This week’s assembly showcased the ongoing connection between the College and the Indigenous Communities at Mutujulu and Wreck Bay. The assembly opened with a beautiful song of prayer led by Anangu Elders, Rene Kulitja, Judy Trigger and Elsie Wanajtjura in the Pitjantjatjara language. Monte students performed two dances that represented the culture of the two indigenous communities the College will visit this year, and who are visiting us this week. The Inma Dance of the Seven Sisters, accompanied by traditional singing by our visitors, reflected the Dreaming stories of the Central Desert. The Whale Dreaming dance recognises the traditions of the Wreck Bay community, which will be visited by Monte students and staff during the coming holidays. It was a truly moving occasion.

NAIDOC Week at Monte culminates in the Maruku Marketplace in Mercy Hall, showcasing original work by artists from the communities of Mutitjulu, Kaltukatjara and Impana. This is the seventh year that Maruku Arts have brought their works to the College and it is a valued, inter-cultural relationship.

As this is the last Monte Matters for Term 2, I would like to take the opportunity to thank all staff, students and families for their support and wish you all a safe and re-energising term break.

Nicole Christensen
Acting Principal

Term Break
School Resumes Monday 15 July 2013
What makes a quality curriculum?

This is a question that academics, individual schools, varying educational sectors and governments across all levels ponder regularly and at some depth, as we rightly should. Currently we are in a period of review based on this desire to deliver the best possible curriculum to our students. We have the first roll-out of the Australian or National Curriculum to implement and changes to the IB Middle Years Programme, known as ‘the Next Chapter’ are also underway. In addition, the Catholic Education Office of Sydney is re-structuring the Religious Education component of our curriculum.

Obviously, each of these authorities has sound principles and goals guiding the re-development and to elaborate on these would be well beyond the scope of this brief column. However, in my recent personal contemplation of what makes a quality curriculum, I came across an article by Ron Ritchart, a Senior Research Associate working in the Harvard School of Education. In his article he identifies seven features of a quality curriculum, observable at many levels – across a subject, in a unit of work or in individual activities.

Accoring to Ritchart, the seven R’s of a ‘living, enacted’ curriculum are that it is:

- **Rigorous** - embody and afford the demonstration of a high level of understanding
- **Real** - have an authentic quality in that students mirror work of adults in the discipline
- **Requires independence** - students make choices that shape the performance and are largely self-directed
- **Rich in thinking** - require more than memorisation and replication
- **Revealing** - uncover student’s level of understanding as well as any misconceptions
- **Rewarding** - intrinsically motivating to the student and not just ‘work’
- **Reflective** - written reflections on the process and learning often enhances the performance

These qualities, I believe, are useful criteria to consider when evaluating our current curriculum (both explicit and implicit) and are worthwhile signposts to guide our implementation of the changes and developments currently underway. Over the last few weeks there have been various examples of these criteria being met or enacted in both our classroom and co-curricular activities here at Monte.

For example, in terms of being ‘Real’, students across all years have worked as authors, submitting narrative pieces to the Principal’s Writing Award. ‘Requiring independence’ is a critical feature of the Year 10 Personal Project and will also be applied when they make their subject choices for senior study next term. The ‘Rich Thinking’ in our curriculum is being made more and more explicit as many teachers use Visible Thinking tools and strategies with their classes. ‘Rewarding’ activities, such as the recent Buddhist Monk Residency gave many girls the opportunity to value knowledge and understanding intrinsically, rather than just see education as routine ‘class work’.

Another R of education, ‘Reports’ are currently being finalised for this Semester. These will amply showcase the ‘Rigorous’ nature of our curriculum and students will apply ‘Reflective’ processes in order to use the data and feedback in the reports to enhance their performance in the second part of the year. Academic and Learning Conferences, along with guided goal setting in Pastoral time will facilitate this.

I look forward to contributing to the continuing provision of a quality curriculum at Monte and also to working actively with students across all years of the College. Through my focus on Middle School over the last few years, I have come to know many of the current Senior students quite well, and I hope to extend this commitment in my acting role, by supporting and assisting the girls in their HSC or DP studies.

Michelle Stocks
Acting Deputy Principal Curriculum
Recent experiences within the College have highlighted the important role Interfaith dialogue plays within contemporary Catholicism. The first of these was a visit by Mala Mehta, Co-ordinator of the IABBV Hindi School. Mala was assisted by Gopal ji from the Chinmaya Mission and her friend Shantha Viswanathan. Both Mala and Shantha are past parents. The incursion stemmed from a desire to better inform the Year 11 students on the ways of Hindu worship as part of the Studies of Religion course. Last week, the whole school experienced the ‘Tibetan Monk Residency’, when a group of Buddhist monks and nuns visited the College. Over a period of three days, students had the chance to see a ‘mandala’ being created. At the conclusion of the residency, the sand mandala was swept up, as part of a ‘dissolution ceremony’. Those present were reminded of the ‘impermanence’ of life.

Year 8 is currently exploring ‘Ways of Being Catholic’. The unit explores Eastern Catholicism and the rich heritage it possesses. Quite rightly, Pope John Paul II encouraged Catholics to study both traditions with a view to better understanding one another. The Pontiff uses the allusion of “breathing with both lungs” in reference to the Eastern and Western Churches. Students have worked through an online unit and have studied Eastern history, liturgy, and iconography.

The focus in Year 10 has most recently been on the Catholic Church of the Middle Ages. Contemporary TV shows like “The Borgias” and “Da Vinci’s Demons” tend to highlight the worst excesses of the Catholic Church during this period. While corruption and scandal were certainly features, so was a flourishing Monastic tradition, developments in ecclesiastical art and architecture and theological progress. Saints Bridget of Sweden and Hildegard of Bingen are wonderful examples of inspirational women of the Church, during this time.

Year 7 has spent the bulk of the term looking at Sacred Scripture and the ways various text types inform our understanding of God and the religious communities from which they have emerged. Students are introduced to the structure, purpose and characteristics of the Hebrew Scriptures.

The formal study of Religious Education at Monte Sant’ Angelo informs all the other religious dimensions of the College. It represents the intellectual wellspring from which Social Justice, Liturgy and Spirituality emerges. While Faith Formation certainly takes place within the classroom, the primary focus is the development of knowing and understanding, critical thinking, investigating and communication skills, consistent with an MYP school.

Antony Sindone
Head of Religious Education

Year 7
Parent Information Evening
Tuesday 16 July
6.00pm
McQuoin Centre

This evening is set aside to inform you about the assessment and reporting practices at Monte Sant’ Angelo. The criteria-referenced framework of the MYP may be quite different to what you may be familiar with in other schools. We hope this evening will be an opportunity for you to build your understanding and gain insights that will assist you in supporting your daughter’s academic progress and in interpreting the first Semester report. The evening will conclude by 7.30pm at the latest.
Year 8 Reflection Day

Reflection Day programs at Monte Sant’ Angelo Mercy College are an integral part of our mission of a holistic, Catholic education.

For Year 8, 2013, this day was focused on nurturing a sense of a balanced wellbeing for students and aimed to be relevant and engaging to the student’s stage of life. Through participation in a variety of collaborative creative activities, both individually and collaboratively, the focus was on enriching personal qualities as well as group dynamics.

The program’s emphasis provided opportunities for reflection, prayer, and developing skills and strategies around the Year 8 theme of Creating Connections that can be taken with the students after the program and transferred into their daily life. The day was based on the following objectives:

- To build resilience and promote creative problem solving
- To create a collaborative installation, developing something from nothing
- To wonder what makes a successful community
- To work as a team
- To make connections and further develop positive working relationships
- To encourage empathy and consideration of others

Year 8’s Reflection Day was comprised of three components:

Chapel Prayer (facilitated by Mrs. DeAnna Addicoat). During the morning prayer, Year 8 reconnected to their Year 7 Spirituality Day and the connections they made with each other, the community and the environment. Together we remembered our Indigenous community as we observed Reconciliation Week.

Spirituality (facilitated by Sr. Jennie Ryan). This was an opportunity for quiet reflection and exploring ways for empowerment in creating connections. Sr. Jennie had transformed Mercy Hall into a reflective and spiritual space through the use of candles, candelabras and tea lights. It became a truly inspirational space and an opportunity for the girls to take some much needed time out.

Utopian City (facilitated by Artist - Sarah Fordham). “Cities are the affirmation of civilisation and human inventiveness. They are at once fragile organisms in constant need of care and battlegrounds of conflicting interests. And above all, they’re ours. [A great city requires] the energy and imagination of people who want to make their cities a little more fun, clean, friendly, green and above all, restore a sense of community. Our cities belong to us, and they depend on us. Only we can make them worth living in”. A Smart Guide To Utopia

Year 8 arrived on Friday with anticipation. Not knowing what they were going to do, with the cardboard boxes they been asked to source from home. They created connections during this activity through cooperation, consideration, compromise, communication and many other key elements that allowed 188 young women to successfully create a connected city from an individual home. Their city addressed the needs of an entire community complete with Schools, Churches, Shops, Libraries, an Airport as well as a Retirement Village.

It was a privilege to observe Year 8 during this day. They embraced the day with an open mind and a positive attitude. They are an inspirational, well-mannered and motivated group of young women.

Laura Bernasconi
Head of Year 8

Our Reflection Day made us really connect with our peers and created new relationships with others. We found the day full of enthusiasm, House spirit and commitment to one another. Year 8 successfully undertook a difficult but rewarding challenge and we learnt that we can all work together as one if we put our minds to it and we are capable of completing a difficult challenge when given to us.

By Liv Tyler and Liv Ingram
Australian Geography Competition

During Term 1, Year 10 Geography students were given the opportunity to demonstrate key geographical skills and knowledge in the 2013 Australian Geography Competition.

The competition involved 75,000 students in 725 schools nationally. The overall performance of Monte students was very encouraging, with all students receiving a certificate to acknowledge their effort and participation.

The following 21 students achieved excellent results and received certificates of High Distinction with Clodagh Hort and Lauren Funari scoring in the top 0.8% nationally:

- Clodagh Hort
- Lauren Funari
- Jacqueline Schafer
- Rose Elliot
- Isabel Dixon Wrathall
- Sylvia Giannone
- Julia Boyle
- Phoebe Hamra
- Rachel Firmer
- Harriet Gay
- Isabelle Laker
- Montserrat Blair
- Sarah Rumsey
- Ella Ryan
- Odile Cameron
- Phoebe Pugh
- Lucy Peck
- Charlotte Haunton
- Johanna Spratt
- Jasmine D'Arcy
- Madeleine Bounds

In addition, 15 students received certificates of Distinction, while 40 Credit awards were presented.

Louise Stephenson  
HSIE

Global Young Leaders Conference 2013

Bon Voyage to the 16 Monte delegates from Year 11 to this Conference in the July term break.

Ten days in Washington DC and New York spent meeting 200 or so other delegates from around the world. The Conference simulates the nuances of the United Nations. The negotiation and debate, the forming of resolutions and voting for their implementation ensure a varied and intensive study of global issues.

We wish them a safe journey and a rewarding experience.

Margaret Walker  
Facilitator of the GYLC Program

Parent Language Classes in French  
Term 3 2013

Have you ever wanted to learn French or know more about the language your daughter is learning? Well here is your opportunity!

The College has a grant to run language learning classes for parents, so that you can gain an appreciation of your daughter’s experience of language learning. Through these lessons, you will acquire communication skills, study techniques and strategies that allow you to use basic language and support your daughter as a co-learner. The course is not a travellers’ course but instead will follow the Year 7-8 French course, using the student text as a resource, with material adapted for adults.

The 7-week course is open to parents of Year 7 and 8 students who are learning French and is aimed at those with little or no experience of the French language. Classes will run on Thursday evenings in Term 3 from 5.45pm-7.15pm starting on Thursday 25 July. The course is run at no cost to you.

Places are limited to 20 parents, with a minimum enrolment of 10. If you would like to participate, please fill in the expression of interest (attached to Monte Matters) and email it to smealing@monte.nsw.edu.au by Wednesday 19 June. Places will be filled on a “first come” basis. Parents who attended the class last year are welcome to re-apply but new parents will take priority. Successful applicants will be contacted by the beginning of Term 3.

Suzanne Mealing  
French Teacher and Head of English

Margaret Walker  
Facilitator of the GYLC Program
Parent Language Classes- Expression of Interest
French- Term 3 2013

Please email these details to: smealing@monte.nsw.edu.au

Thursdays 5:45-7:15pm

Name:

Daughter’s name:

My motivation for participating in this class is:

Contact details

Phone:

Email address:
Green Team for Gorillas

Over the past three weeks Monte has been overrun by a Gorilla! You might have seen it on your travels around the school grounds! The Green Team was raising awareness of the plight of primates in Africa and in particular the killing and poaching of gorillas for the bush meat trade.

The Green Team led by Beth Parsons took to the task enthusiastically. Week one of the three-week campaign was a competition to “guess the number of monkeys in the jar”. This was won by Jasmin Perry, in Year 7 who was rewarded with a huge hamper of goodies. In week two there was a Monkey Scavenger Hunt with students scurrying around looking for plastic monkeys that had escaped from a barrel. Jacinta Raheb-Mol was the lucky student who won the overall prize of a family ticket to Taronga Zoo. The Green Team would like to acknowledge the generosity of Taronga Zoo in donating this prize.

Towards the end of the week the excitement levels reached fever pitch as students pledged money to encourage their favourite teacher to wear the Gorilla suit for a whole day. Mr Paul Wacher, Ms Alex Salier, Mr David Raciti and Mr Tony Lastro were the lucky winners and their good nature and effort is gratefully appreciated. The Green team would like to thank all the teachers who put their name forward.

The final event was a Green Team Bake Sale on Tuesday last week. Over all, the Green Team raised an amazing $780, which will be donated to the Jane Goodall Institute. As Beth will now hand over the reins to Michelle Vo as the new Environmental Captain, we would like to thank Beth for her hard work and passion in leading the Green Team this year.

Aileen Davis
Green Team Co-ordinator

From
Performing Arts Department

TheatreSports

Congratulations to all girls involved in TheatreSports this semester and enormous thanks to Ms Karen Partington for all of her great work as co-ordinator of our fabulous improvisors! Our Intermediate team made it through both rounds of the NSW Competition and our Senior Team finished fourth in the Semi-Final. Year 8 will have an opportunity next semester and then we will do it all again next year, so watch this space if you’re interested in being involved in this terrific activity!

Sarah Thompson
Head of Performing Arts

GLEEClub now accepting applications!
Contact us now!
Call: 02 9666 4473
Email: Glee@aipa.com.au
Web: Juniors - aipatdp.com/gleeclub-australia-dec-2013-2/
Straightedge - aipatdp.com/gleeclub-straightedge

Meet the creative team

Head Choreographer
Aileen Simon
Assistant Choreographer
Evie Froxton
Musical Director
Heidi Colley
Talent Development and Industry Relations
Lisa Bond
Creative Director & Talent Development
Mary Knapton

Year 9 Learning Conference
Wednesday 17 July

You should have received a letter and an email with your code and information regarding the Learning Conference. From Wednesday 26 June, you will be able to log back in to www.edval.com.au/book to find out your interview times. Please contact Ms Corey Googh on cgoogh@monte.nsw.edu.au or (02) 9409 6226 if you need any help with making changes, or have lost your password.

Year 8 Learning Conference
Wednesday 24 July

Letters with passwords and instructions for the Year 8 Learning Conference will be posted out in the last week of the holidays. Please keep this letter safe as you will need to log back in after the schedule has been generated on Friday 19 July. If you have not received your letter with the booking code by the first day back in Term 3, please contact Ms Corey Googh on (02) 9409 6226 or cgoogh@monte.nsw.edu.au

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INVITATION

IB Middle Years Programme

Personal Project Exhibition

You are invited to a celebration of the work of Year 10, 2013
Monte Sant’ Angelo Mercy College students

Thursday 25 July 2013
4.00pm – 6.30pm
Light refreshments served
Official Opening by Acting Principal, Mrs Nicole Christensen at 5.00pm

McQuoin Centre
Monte Sant’ Angelo Mercy College
128 Miller Street North Sydney

RSVP: To Natasha Zimmer by Thursday 18 July
nzimmer@monte.nsw.edu.au for catering purposes

Personal Project Exhibition 2012
IGSSA Basketball

Last Saturday Monte had six of its seven basketball teams compete in Grand Finals of the IGSSA Competition. I am pleased to report that five of those six teams won their respective divisions.

Monte 1 competed in the top Senior Division and took the title with a resounding 61-35 win over Loreto Normanhurst. Our Junior Representative Team, Monte 3, won the top Junior Division beating Abbotsleigh 28-18. Other winners were Monte 2 (26-22), Monte 5 (16-14) and Monte 7 (48-11).

I want to make a special mention now of the Year 9 girls who played in Monte 4 – Bridget Brewer, Aisling Halverson, Dylan McCracken, Claire Miller, Amelia Nemeth, Katherine Panousos and Georgia Stockwell. After a couple of games it was clear that these girls were entered into a grade that was too strong for them. Unfortunately these one term IGSSA competitions don’t really allow enough time for re-grading and as such the girls were stuck in their division and they were beaten comprehensively each week. I want to commend the girls for never giving up and playing with great spirit and enthusiasm each week. The grading process at IGSSA can be somewhat of a lottery when schools get past their first few teams, especially when you are trying to grade players that have never played against each other before. I am just hopeful the experience won’t turn our girls off from playing again next year.

Monte 1 travelled to Hawkesbury on Monday and Penrith on Tuesday to compete in the NSWCCC Basketball competition. I am pleased to report that the team gets that chance as they have qualified for the schools challenge in which they will take on the best Public and Independent schools in an attempt to be crowned the best school-girl team in NSW. This match will take place in September.

Congratulations to Amelia Nemeth (Year 12), Moly Quoyle (Year 7) and Olivia Beck (Year 10) who all qualified to compete at the NSW All Schools Championships after achieving top 10 finishes at the NSWCCC Carnival last week.

Hockey

The North Shore Women’s Hockey competition came to a close last weekend with a couple of Monte teams playing in Grand Finals. Congratulations to the girls from Monte 5 who won Division 4 and the players from Monte 7 who were Runners Up in Division 5. Hockey now shifts to the IGSSA Competition in Term 3 and training will resume in Week 1 with games starting on Saturday 20 July.

Cross Country

Congratulations to Amelia Gorman (Year 12 and Cross Country Captain), Lizzer Gerber (Year 12), Moly Quoyle (Year 7) and Olivia Beck (Year 10) who all qualified to compete at the NSW All Schools Championships after achieving top 10 finishes at the NSWCCC Carnival last week.

In the Semi Finals however, a determined Trinity Goulburn School pushed our girls to the very limit. Monte was down by 10 points with around eight minutes to go having never been in the game from the outset. Our girls were flustered and shaken by a different style of refereeing and a very tight zone defense.

True to form though, the girls forged their way back to take the lead for the first time in the match with less than one minute to go thanks to some great baskets by Alex Delaney, Alysha Skerritt and Maddie O’Hehir. With 23 seconds left Monte had the ball with a one point lead and managed to run down the clock for a very relieving win 41-40.

As is often the case in tournaments like this the semi final can be looked back upon as a grand final. I am really proud and pleased to report that Monte went on to defeat St Joseph’s Gosford in the Grand Final. The score was 20-20 at half time but when they came out for the second half Monte’s depth and desire kicked in, and the girls cruised to a 52-36 victory making them the ‘BEST’ Catholic school team in NSW for the first time in the history of this tournament. Considering that the girls beat the best that the Independent schools had to offer on the Saturday, it would be fair to suggest that only the best Public school in NSW stands between Monte 1 and the illustrious title of Best School-girl Team in NSW.

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Congratulations to all of the players and coach Gail Henderson on this wonderful result. The other players in the team are Sara Anastasieska (Year 11), Maddie Bounds (Year 10), Bree Delaney (Year 10), Katarina Diamant (Year 11), Ali Gorman (Year 10), Amy Quirk (Year 10) and Emma Woods (Year 11).

NSWCCC Basketball

Waterpolo

Good Luck to the Monte 1 Waterpolo team who are competing in the Grand Final of the Northern Suburbs Schools Waterpolo Competition tonight. The girls will take on Brigidine St Ives who they defeated 4-3 in their recent round match in what will undoubtedly be a tough game.

Congratulations to the following umpires who were leveled last Saturday:
• Lucy Dirou (Year 11, Umpire’s Captain and recently appointed Sports Captain for 2013/14) achieved Senior Level 1
• Elizabeth Russell (Year 10) achieved Senior Level 2
• Sophie Hall (Ex student) achieved Senior Level 3

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• Lucy Avvenevole (Year 8) achieved Junior Level 1
• Harriet Phelps (Year 8) achieved Junior Level 2
• Harriet Gillson (Year 9) achieved Junior Level 3

**Dance and Aerobics Showcase**
Stay tuned for an exciting announcement regarding Monte’s inaugural dance and aerobics showcase to take place in Term 3.

“Don’t be too hard on yourself. There are plenty of people willing to do that for you. Love yourself and be proud of everything that you do. Even mistakes mean you’re trying.” -- Susan Gale

Mr Stuart Hanrahan
Sports Program Manager

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**Refugee Week 16 - 22 June**

Restoring Hope is Refugee Week theme for 2012 to 2014.

It is no surprise to us that a refugee’s journey begins with danger, what we sometimes forget is that a refugee’s journey also begins with hope. Refugees flee their homelands not only because they fear persecution, but also because they have hope: they hope to find freedom from persecution, and safety and security for themselves and their families; they hope to be given a chance to start a new life and recover from past trauma.

Countries which offer protection to refugees and provide them with an opportunity to rebuild their lives, restore hope for a future free from fear, persecution, violence and insecurity.

There are many refugees whose hopes have not been fulfilled – those who remain in seriously protracted situations, facing ongoing discrimination, violence and uncertainty have little hope for a new future for many years.

As Christians who follow the message and teachings of Jesus, each of us is called to welcome the stranger in our midst, and be beacons of compassion, hope and respect in our local and global communities.

Let us raise our voices in protest for the children who are detained in centres around Australia. As at 20 April 2013 there are 1600 children in Immigration Detention Facilities and Alternative places of Detention. These places are not suitable places for adults and certainly not for children.

Who will speak if we don’t?

Sr Carmel

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**From the Aerobics Captain..........**

On 29 May, five girls from Years 9-12 competed in the 2nd State trial for Aeroschools. Excitement was in the air, with both teams competing extremely well and placing 1st in their division. Both team scores were also high enough to qualify for state in July.

On Saturday 8 May, all Aerobics teams competed in the 3rd state trial held at Hornsby PCYC, which concluded with very pleasing results. Four teams placed 1st in their division and another five placed 2nd. All junior coaches were very proud of their teams and we’re all excited to prepare them for state, knowing there will be a lot more teams heading to nationals!

On Saturday 15 June, three girls from Year 9, Maddy Urqhart, Bridget Murray and Kimberley Dwyer competed as a trio in the finals for Schoolaerobics. They placed 5th in their division, which both Kate and I were very proud of. Unfortunately this means it is the end for Monte competing in the Schoolaerobics competition this year, however there is so much potential for every ‘Aerobican’ at Monte, who knows what will happen next year!

Claudia Johnson
Aerobics Captain 2012/13
Parents’ and Friends’ News

What’s in a name?
Last Friday, the P&F was delighted to co-host a College Naming and Blessing Ceremony for the cluster of buildings in the McLaren Precinct, including the new Head of Years (H0Ys) Building. The P&F was keen to co-host the event, to show our support for the staff and teachers at the College and to acknowledge their commitment to, and care for our students, particularly during this past term.

As Sister Carmel explained, the names of each building have been carefully chosen to recognise some of the significant educators who have played an important role in the evolution and development of our College since its formation by the Mercy Sisters in 1865. The new names are:

- Kinsmore Business Centre, No. 5 McLaren St
- Callaghan Cottage, No. 9 McLaren St
- Casey Cottage, No. 11 McLaren St
- Geary House, Nos 21-23 McLaren St

As a token of our appreciation we also gave each member of staff a Mary MacKillop Votive Candle because, as the Acting Principal Mrs Christensen remarked, “we all need a little extra light in our life”.

The event took place in the new Nura Kammeraigal Courtyard (the area to the north of Catherine McCauley Place) which has recently been transformed with new artificial turf, landscaping and outdoor seating for the students. This new area will soon be extended with some additional funds from the P&F.

New website
Congratulations to the Development Office team who have worked so hard on the re-design of the Monte website, which is now “live”. Not only is the website more user-friendly but its contemporary look and feel reflects the ethos, values and traditions of Monte Sant’ Angelo Mercy College. We should point out that the parent community now has its own dedicated section on the website which can be ‘clicked through to’ from a red button on the homepage. We look forward to phase two of the website’s development in the coming months.

Finally, wishing all staff, teachers, students and families a happy and safe term break. And stay warm!

Sue Boudakin & Anna Willis
Monte P&F Presidents
sue.finn@bigpond.net.au
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Weekly Canteen Roster (9.30am start)

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Unfortunately due to the construction work on the campus there will be no parking available for volunteers in the Loading Dock this year.

From the College Shop

Shop Closed
The College Shop will be closed for general trading from Thursday 20 June until Monday 15 July, 2013. Enjoy the break.

College Backpack
Just a few helpful hints regarding the school backpack:
- Back support - Growing bodies need proper care, support and protection; especially in relation to the neck and spine. Any damage done in these areas during childhood or adolescence can have lifelong consequences.
- Lighten the load - Research tells us to keep the loads carried in a backpack below 10% of the user’s body weight. This proves to be very difficult for students in Australian schools, so we must educate our students of the need to only carry what they require. This will ensure a better day at school, every day.
- Developing spines need support - Sparten, the manufacturers of our backpacks, enlisted the support of the Australian Physiotherapy Association and the Chiropractors’ Association of Australia to help create and endorse their backpack designs. It is part of our commitment to sourcing out the best possible products for our students.
  - Keep the load close to your spine
  - Carry only what you need for the day
  - Always wear the pack over two shoulders
  - Do not let it hang below your hips or pull away from your body

Margaret Eade
College Shop Manager
meade@monte.nsw.edu.au

ATTENTION YEAR 12 HOLIDAY STUDY

The Monte Library will be open for Year 12 students in the Winter holidays from 8.30am to 4.00pm every day except Friday 12 July.
Speaker: Katherine Thomson

“Don’t actors just make it all up?”

Join us for a thought-provoking and lively lunch with multi-award winning playwright, screenwriter and Monte ex-student Katherine Thomson (Class of 1972).

Katherine’s television credits include *Australia on Trial*, *Wildside*, *Halifax f.p.*, *Mr & Mrs Murder* and *Rogue Nation*. Her numerous and critically acclaimed theatre credits include *King Tide*, *Harbour*, *Diving for Pearls* and *Barmaids*. Jacki Weaver, Noni Hazeldhurst, Robyn Nevin and many others have played her characters.

This is a lunch not to miss.

**Date**
Tuesday 6 August 2013

**Time**
12.00 noon for 12.30pm start

**Venue**
Strangers’ Dining Room, 
NSW Parliament House 
Macquarie Street, Sydney 2000

**Cost**
$80 per head

**Booking**
Secure your seats online at: [www.trybooking.com/BNGO](http://www.trybooking.com/BNGO) 
Bookings close Tuesday 30 July

**Hosted by The Hon Anthony Roberts MP**

Funds raised will go directly towards Monte’s Bursary Program.
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NEW DATES highlighted

**June**

**Thursday–Sunday 20-23 June:** Western Sydney Careers Expo 2013 9.00am–3.00 pm Sydney Showground, Sydney Olympic Park www.westernsydneycareerexpo.com.au

**July**

**Thursday 11 July:** University of Melbourne UniExperience (Parkville campus) www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/events

**Tuesday 30 July:** Chartered Accountants Meet the Business Leader from 4.30 pm at the Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia. For Year 10 and 11 students. www.charteredaccountants.com.au

**Wednesday 31 July:** UMAT examination day http://umat.acer.edu.au

**August**

**Sunday 4 August:** University of Queensland (St Lucia) Open Day, Curtin University (Perth) Open Day

**Sunday 11 August:** University of Western Australia Open Day

**Monday 12 August:** RMIT University (Melbourne) Open Day

**Sunday 18 August:** University of Melbourne Open Day (Parkville and Southbank campuses) www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/events

**Sunday 18 August:** University of Queensland (Gatton) Open Day

**Sunday 25 August:** James Cook University (Cairns) Open Day, La Trobe University (Melbourne) Open Day, University of Ballarat Open Day

**Saturday 31 August:** UNSW Elite Athletes and Performers Bonus Points applications open. www.unsw.edu.au/domestic-undergraduate/elite-athletes-and-performers-program

**September**

**Sunday 1 September:** James Cook University (Townsville) Open Day

**Saturday 14 September:** Macquarie University Open Day 10.00am–4.00pm

**Saturday 7 September:** SAT registration due (US colleges) www.sjc.nsw.edu.au

**Saturday 7 September:** UNSW Open Day

**Friday 27 September:** On-time Main Round UAC applications close www.uac.edu.au

**Monday 30 September:** UNSW Scholarship applications close. UNSW online B Medicine applications close. www.unsw.edu.au

**October**

**Saturday 5 October:** SAT testing day (US colleges) www.sjc.nsw.edu.au

**Saturday 26 October:** ACT testing day (US colleges) www.sjc.nsw.edu.au

**November**

**Wednesday 13 November:** UNSW Parent and Student Information Evening www.whatson.unsw.edu.au

**Saturday 30 November:** UNSW Elite Athletes and Performers Bonus Points applications close. www.unsw.edu.au/domestic-undergraduate/elite-athletes-and-performers-program

**December**

**Wednesday 11 December:** Macquarie University School Leaver Information Evening 6.00pm–8.00pm www.mq.edu.au/future_students/undergraduate/coming_events

**Saturday 14 December:** SAT testing day (US colleges) www.sjc.nsw.edu.au

**Wednesday 18 December:** HSC students receive their ATARs www.uac.edu.au
University of Sydney
Scholarships Information Evening
Wednesday 26 June 2013
Open Day
31 August 2013
Life at Sydney days for Year 11s
Monday 30 September and Wednesday 2 October 2013
Info Day
Friday 3 January 2014
http://sydney.edu.au/future-students/career-advisers

Design Centre Enmore
and Petersham College of TAFE
Free ‘Taste of TAFE’ workshops
June/July school holidays
Tuesday 25 June 2013 at
Design Centre Enmore:
Digital and Graphic Design, Electrical Trades, Jewellery, Interior Design, 3D Animation, Film Prosthetics and Special Effects Make-up

Wednesday 26 June 2013 at
Petersham College of TAFE:
Electrical Trades, Hairdressing and Beauty, Accounting, Child Care, IT and Radio & News Media
Workshops run for 3 hours and a BBQ is included. Students need to arrive at 9.30am and expect to finish at around 2.00pm.
To attend you must email Mr Tony Garske on Tony.Garske@tafensw.edu.au or phone on 9335 2305.

Institute of Chartered Accountants
Meet the Business Leader
An event for students in Years 10 and 11
Tuesday 30 July 2013
From 4.30pm
ICAA HQ Level 1, 330 Erskine St Sydney 2000
Learn about developing a career in business, finance and accounting from business leaders at various stages of their careers. Register to attend at www.charteredaccountants.com.au/students

ACN Nursing and Health Expo 2013
Sunday 23 June 2013
10.00 am – 3.00 pm
Sydney Town Hall
Attend educational seminars on how to become a nurse and meet with universities who offer undergraduate training.
For more information go to www.acn.edu.au

Considered studying law?
Professor Michael Quinlan, Dean, Notre Dame School of Law, invites you to attend our Careers in Law Evening. This will be a unique opportunity for students and their parents to hear about the legal profession as a career and why studying law at UNDA law school is different from other universities.

For further information, contact Notre Dame Prospective Students Office on 02 8204 4404 or sydney@nd.edu.au
GLEECLUB AUSTRALIA
LOS ANGELES DECEMBER 2013
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AUDITIONING NOW!
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Are you a singer, dancer or triple threat who lives to perform and train?

Would your parents like to give you an opportunity to train and perform in Los Angeles but have no idea where to start? Or who you can trust?

Would you like to perform at world-class venues in Los Angeles?

Would you like to take private masterclasses in voice, vocal sight-reading, composition, dance, musical theatre and screen acting with top industry professionals who work on 85% television shows that are household names?

How about recording a song also recorded by a leading LA recording artist that will be sold online and all funds donated to K9’s For Warriors?

What about shooting a music video for the song composed by a leading LA director and choreographer?

How about being part of a show that will be shot on an LA studio lot?

If you want to get up and live your dream each day, then The Australian Institute for Performing Arts (AIPA) has the answer – GLEECLUB Juniors and GLEECLUB StraightEdge, 2013.

AIPA has a wonderful reputation internationally for offering unique, industry-based training and performance opportunities to students. Our aim is to nurture and challenge students by having them work with some of the industry’s best professionals – and what better city is there for developing triple threat than one of the biggest entertainment hubs in the world - Los Angeles!

GLEECLUB Juniors is a project designed for young performers (6-13yrs). Each student is accompanied by an agent or guardian to ensure that they can focus on their craft with the support of a family member. Parents also attend a professional development workshop, which will provide invaluable information about the industry. You will hear from casting directors, agents and managers. It’s the perfect straight from the start for you and your child to take off. The program will take place in Sydney in June, 2013.

GLEECLUB StraightEdge is a project designed for performers (14-25yrs) who are self-motivated and can follow direction in a safe and supportive environment. Students are experienced and encouraged to be original and Nancy to talk on each and every project. StraightEdge is designed for students whose number one priority is performing arts and although they know how to take risks, they can be successful in their chosen fields. Students who take themselves and their bodies and the ones they are working with in the industry. These are the performers who have talent – and who don’t want to trust it in this industry.

Meet the creative team

Rehearsals are held in Sydney 6th – 13th July, 2013 (Residential week) and 28th – 30th November, 2013. The projects leave for LA on 1st December and conclude in LA on Thursday 19th December, 2013.

MMA is an incorporated company in the US and is subject to the laws of the state of California. MMA complies with 2011 regulations. The California Department of Education is responsible for monitoring and enforcing the California governing body. This program is testament to the quality provision of the MMA talent management project. Your peace of mind and your investment are a brand new in hand.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL
9299656472 (SYDNEY) OR 1-323-852-5930 (LOS ANGELES)
EMAIL: GLEECLUB.COM.AU

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN, PLEASE CALL AND REGISTER YOUR INTEREST TODAY OR GO ONLINE AND COMPLETE THE AUDITION PROCESS. WE ARE READY TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS.
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Week 2: 1st – 5th July
Week 3: 8th – 12th July

Preschool to Year Two classes are designed to foster a love for the performing arts and to build their self-confidence, self-expression and encourage imagination and coordination.

Primary Programmes are designed to inspire students creativity, challenge enquiring minds, encourage individual and team skills and be one of the best weeks of their lives!

High School Programmes – are highly influenced by the trends in the US. As AIPA is also based in LA, we offer industry-based training to ensure young Australians can be competitive in performing arts, keeping up with trends and love discovering new skills.

To enrol or enquire, please phone (02) 9966 5013 or (02) 9966 0353
www.aipa.com.au
www.aipatdp.com
www.kickperformancegroup.com.au

CLASSES HELD IN NAREMBURN SYDNEY'S LOWER NTH SHORE

SCRIPTWRITING, SCREEN ACTING & SCREEN BUSINESS

With Harvey House Productions

If you want to be a filmmaker, have a script in your head or are looking for a professional grade credit to put on your reel, this masterclass is perfect for you. Write, film, work set & act in an original piece ready for reviewing by Friday. Footage will be given to you for your reel. A selection of Sydney based agents will be sent the piece once completed.
24th – 28th June 10.00am - 4.00pm $375.00
1st – 5th July 10.00am - 4.00pm $375.00

DANCE INTENSIVE

As a dancer you need to experience teaching and choreography styles that differ from your weekly classes. Unfamiliarity and challenging combinations increase your ability to pickup choreography and fine detail. Dance Intensive is designed to improve strength, endurance, cardio, core strength, agility and technique over time – you have to keep working. A must for students who are serious about pursuing a career in the industry.
8th - 12th July 10.00am - 4.00pm $375.00

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Raise Foundation Golf Day
Proudly sponsored by Goodman

New South Wales Golf Club
Tuesday 22 October 2013
Registration 7.00am

Overview of New South Wales Golf Club
If exhilaration is what you want then there is no better course in Australia to satisfy a yearning for golfing thrills than The New South Wales Golf Club at La Perouse. High up on the cliffs above Botany Bay it is one of the most severe tests of golf in a high wind and only on a rare day do the flags lie still. New South Wales stamps itself as easily the finest course in Sydney and is currently rated No5 in Golf Digest’s Top 100 Courses in Australia. It is the closest we have to the brand of golf made famous by the links at Pebble Beach and for those who love raw golf where the chances of fighting a battering wind are high, it is an opportunity not to be missed!

Format of the Day
7am  Registration & light breakfast
8am  Shotgun start
1pm  Lunch and Prize Presentation

Cost $295 per player or $1,100 for a team of 4 players

Single Stableford with Irish team event held in conjunction
Driving range is available
Motorised carts can be booked direct with the Pro Shop on 9311 2573
Draw and details will be sent out 3 days prior to the event

Master of Ceremonies, Mark Beretta from Channel 7 Sport

TO RSVP AND RESERVE YOUR ENTRY PLEASE CLICK HERE

Event will go ahead in all conditions, unless weather puts our guests at risk of danger
JUST LEADERSHIP AT WORK
A personal reflection by Michael Traill - a journey from corporate enterprise to social enterprise

Are you?
- A person wanting to bring your head and your heart to your profession?
- A student wishing to explore options for a meaningful career that enriches the lives of others as well as yourself?
- A parent hoping to share with your sons and daughters a vision of the future with the greater good at its core?

Are you ready?
- To edge forward in discovering more about what it means to exercise just influence, whatever your role?
- To engage with others who care, like you, about shaping a better future?
- To be inspired by speakers who have depth, passion, skill and great experience in influencing the world in the direction of justice and compassion?

The Old Ignatians Union in collaboration with Jesuit Social Services is delighted to announce the first JUST LEADERSHIP BREAKFAST IN SYDNEY designed to engage, inspire and challenge you to action no matter your age, gender or life stage.

Where: The Union, University and Schools Club, 25 Bent Street, Sydney
When: Tuesday 23 July 2013
Time: 7.15am - 8:55am - Please arrive at 7am as the session will commence at 7.15 sharp. A full hot breakfast will be served.
Registration: $45 per person or $30 per student - www.trybooking.com/52700
Enquiries: Tim Gavan (OIU) - 0404 043 888 or Suzanne Daniel (Jesuit Social Services) - 0412 447 474
Speaker Details: Michael Traill AM - Chief Executive, Social Ventures Australia (SVA)

Michael joined Social Ventures Australia (SVA) as founding CEO in 2002 after 15 years as a co-founder and Executive Director of Macquarie Group’s private equity arm, Macquarie Direct Investment.

SVA works with innovative partners to invest in social change. It helps to create better education and employment outcomes for disadvantaged Australians by bringing the best of business to the social sector, and by working with partners to strategically invest capital and expertise. SVA Consulting shares evidence and knowledge to build social sector capacity, while SVA Impact Investing introduces new capital and innovative financial models to help solve entrenched problems.

Michael is Vice Chair of GoodStart Early Learning, Chair of the Opera Australia Capital Fund, Chair of Assetic Software and a director M H Carnegie & Co. In 2010 Michael was made a member of the Order of Australia in recognition of his services to non-profit organisations. Michael is a member of the College Council at St Ignatius’ College, Riverview. He holds a BA (Hons) from Melbourne University and an MBA from Harvard University.

Jesuit Social Services works to build a just society where all people can live to their full potential. Partnering with community to support those most in need and working to change policies, practices, ideas and values that perpetuate inequality, prejudice and exclusion. For more information on social leadership consultancy capabilities and workshops please contact us at justleadership@jss.org.au If you would like to receive our Just Leadership Daily Reflection quotes by email please sign up www.justleadership.org.au.

The Just Leadership breakfast in Sydney is a partnership between Jesuit Social Services and the Old Ignatians Union.