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Dear Parents and Friends of Monte,

Ten members of the refugee team made history on Friday evening at the Opening Ceremony of the Rio 2016 Olympics, proving that you can succeed no matter where you’re from.

The young athletes, originally from South Sudan, Syria, Democratic Republic of the Congo and Ethiopia, have won the respect of millions with their amazing tales of triumph over adversity. They have become a symbol of hope for refugees worldwide.

Rose Nathike Lokonyen, a 23-year-old South Sudanese runner, led the Refugee Olympic Team into the stadium behind the banner of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) to cheers and chants of support from an ecstatic crowd.

According to the United Nations Refugee Agency, Rose was eight years old when she fled war and found safety in the remote Kakuma refugee camp in northern Kenya and has lived there ever since.

At the Opening Ceremony we cheered on Monte’s cross-country coach Milly Clark who will represent Australia in the marathon next Sunday night at 10.30pm. On Saturday, we cheered on Emma McKeon and the Australian women’s relay team as they won Gold in the 4 x 100m women’s freestyle event. Emma was our guest speaker at the 2014 Sports Awards Dinner. On Wednesday we celebrated the Australian Women’s Rugby Sevens when they won the first ever gold medal in the new Olympic event.

As the athlete has the support of many to help them to prepare and to cope with the pressures of competition, so too our students have the support and encouragement of parents, families, teachers and the whole Monte community.

Over the last two weeks Year 12 students have been sitting their trial HSC and IB mock examinations and submitting their major works. When our Year 12 girls are preparing for the final stage of their school journey I encourage them to be strong and determined and continue to prepare in every way they can.

Over the next few months, it is their time to aspire to be the best that they can be: getting one step closer to taking their place in the world, upholding the values of Human Dignity, Mercy, Compassion, Option of the Poor and Social Justice.

Once again, I am reminded of one of my favourite quotes from the film Chariots of Fire, “I have no formula for winning the race. Everyone runs in her own way, or his own way. And where does the power come from, to see the race to its end? From within. “

We pray that all girls preparing for exams find meaning and significance in their preparation. As they go forward now on this last leg of their journey at Monte, may they have faith knowing the Monte community is behind each and every one of them.

At a time when hostility, rejection and conflict are widespread in our world, may the witness of our athletes be a source of inspiration as to how we can all live together in peace and harmony, finding strength from within.

I look forward to welcoming members of our Monte community to the College this Friday for the 2016 Monte Blue Ribbon Bursary Rugby Lunch.

God Bless

Mrs Nicole Christensen
Principal
FINAL BURSARY RUGBY LUNCH UPDATE

The stage is set for our best ever Monte Bursary Rugby Lunch this Friday from noon.

Even if you aren’t attending all our Monte community are invited to join in the fundraising fun with the online silent auction site.

With more than 55 prizes, you’re sure to find something special to bid on. All proceeds will go to the Monte Blue Ribbon Bursary Fund.

Plus we have an exciting incentive prize you could win if you register on galabid by midnight Thursday 11th August and start bidding.

To Register via mobile device - SMS

1. Text: monte followed by your full name
2. To: 61458678678
3. Example: monte Brad Pitt
4. Follow the registration link you are sent from GalaBid to login and place bids.

To Register via tablet, laptop or desktop

1. Visit: galabid.com/monte
2. Click on the ‘register’ button
3. Enter your details and click ‘submit’.
4. You will then receive a text to your mobile phone with the link to the auction catalogue and a passcode. Use the passcode to login on any browser or click the link in the text to be automatically logged in on the browser on your smart phone. You are now ready to bid.

We look forward to welcoming you to our lunch tomorrow, or to our online bidding site.

Final fundraising results from the event will be published next week in Monte Matters.

FROM THE DEVELOPMENT & COMMUNITY RELATIONS TEAM
Deanne O’Shea - Director
FROM THE DEVELOPMENT & COMMUNITY RELATIONS TEAM

The annual @montecollege Yr 10 #YP Personal Project Exhibition. Amazing creativity from our students. #msanc

Yr 11 Retreat braved the cold and wet weather for breakfast club at Kungkungan.

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Monte Cross Country coach Milly Clark (right) ready for Rio opening ceremony & representing Aust in the marathon.

Congratulations Michael Phelps/ 20th Olympic Gold. Men's 200m butterfly.

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@montecollege

Congratulations to Australia's @emma_rckaon Bronze Olympic Medalist 200m Free.

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Year 11 students enjoying some time for reflection on retreat this week.

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Congratulations Emma Mokeon 4 x 100m Freestyle Gold Medalist. Monte 2014 Sports Awards Dinner Guest Speaker.

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Congratulations Monte Yr 9 Science team - Champion School at the Sydney Science & Engineering Challenge yesterday.

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Monte sports coaches focus on Knee Injury Prevention at our annual WINES meeting.

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Congratulations to the Monte Stage Band & Ms Walsley for first place at the Ryde Eisteddfod last night 🎵 🎤
Allyson Mascarenhas
Deputy Principal, Curriculum

There are dreams within each of us. Some of them we are more conscious of; others are nothing but a seed that just needs the opportunity and care to be nurtured. No doubt we have had the common experience that there is a limit to what we can learn on our own? We need others to want to share with us, show us how to do things that are new and be willing to cheer us on when starting out. We need to go out, beyond the walls of our comfort zone.

There have been a number of wonderful programs that have recently enabled our students, really committed girls, to benefit from the care of mentors and experts. It is likely that some little dreams have been supported and are beginning to grow.

Through an initiative of the Alliance of Girls’ Schools Australasia, three of our students have returned from the HASSE Junior Space School Program where they joined girls from a number of other colleges and travelled to the USA. This was an extraordinary opportunity to learn first hand about space

“**We need to go out, beyond the walls of our comfort zone.**”
technology and travel, including some technical information and many of the elements of leadership and team work.

Beaming with enthusiasm, having confronted that frontier by signing up to the multi-school program, it is exciting to know that Isabella, Juliette or Emma may indeed be on a “manned”, dare I say it, “womanned” mission to Mars! We congratulate them on their enthusiasm and commitment to pursuing their passion for learning and for stepping out with others. This is the way young leaders are developed and I am certain they will be able to share with others their remarkable experiences and new insight.

It is at the intersection where student curiosity and courage meets the aspirations of great mentors for young people, that we get the most profound learning. In their own words:

. . . we listened to talks from many different influential people, ranging from NASA engineers to experts in renewable energy. We were put in an environment where you had to think quickly and on your feet to create a solution, and we were shown our past in space exploration and travel. We were even given an insight into the future of space travel, and how we, as the scientists of the future, can assist in not just space exploration, but incredible scientific discovery and breakthroughs down here on Earth.

Juliette Dwyer, 8 McAuley B

. . . we were in the Huntsville Space Camp . . . we got to partake in several activities such as simulated shuttle missions, a one sixth gravity trainer and a multi-axis trainer. Out of these, my favourite would have been the one-sixth-gravity trainer because it simulates the gravity on the moon, which I personally found to be challenging but still very enjoyable.

. . . I have met so many new people and had such a great time doing things that you may only ever get to do once in a lifetime. I would highly recommend this trip to any girls interested in learning about the physics and history of space exploration and STEM subjects.

Emma O’Farrell, 9 McAuley B

We were inspired by Amber Gell, a rocket engineer who is currently working on the Orion spacecraft that is gearing for its journey to Mars in the near future. She said “The engineers will never stop asking how and the scientists will never stop asking why, never hesitate to ask a question”. . . . a few days later we wound up at mission control or out on the spacecraft experiencing our ambitious roles through a simulation. . . . with our headsets . . . we talked the talk as we controlled and performed every stage of the mission – it was great fun. All in all we have achieved the goals we set prior and have come back with a relentless ambition to achieve our dreams.

-On Hero’s wings we fly.

The trip was a challenge and an ‘out of this world’ opportunity.

Isabella Gianotti, 9 Rankin A
The Australian Mathematics Competition

The 2016 theme in the Mathematics department of #haveago! has certainly been abundantly evident in recent weeks. Last week 580 students from Years 7 to 11 took part in the Australian Mathematics Competition. Questions such as “In how many ways can the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 be arranged in a row so that the product of any two adjacent numbers is even?” tested students’ problem solving skills to their limits. For the first time, students completed the competition online and despite some initial difficulties with the competition website, the overall feedback from students was that they enjoyed this new format. We look forward to reporting the competition results in Term 4 and I thank Mrs D'Angelo for coordinating the logistics of the competition.

The Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians

During a three-week period in Term One, approximately 5600 students from Years 7-8 and 2800 students from Years 9-10 from overseas and Australia attempted the Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians. Each student received six problems and worked either independently or in pairs on those challenging problems. The competition was not just about solving problems but also about the learning and mathematical journey in the process. The problems required time and persistence and the students who participated needed to demonstrate many of the skills and attributes of IB Learners including being open-minded, risk-takers, thinkers and communicators.
The Mathematics Department is delighted with their results and would like to congratulate all students involved.

High Distinctions

Ana-Maria Barlin – Year 8
Melanie Brittain – Year 8
Samantha Lanzarone – Year 8
Madison Ueland – Year 10

Distinctions

Emma Brown – Year 8
Billie-Rose Clow – Year 8
Zoe Cobcroft – Year 8
Rachel Davies – Year 8
Kathryn Fraser – Year 8
Ava Hyde – Year 7
Charlotte Kutra – Year 8
Claire Le Blond – Year 7
Domenica Labbozzetta – Year 8
Tasha Lim – Year 8
Jane McElduff – Year 8
Lauren Shaw – Year 8
Grace Street – Year 8

Credits

Lucia Bardetta – Year 7
Casey Jackson – Year 8
Rose Jordan – Year 8
Sophie Lynch – Year 8
Gabrielle Miller – Year 8
Lingling Qin – Year 7
Veronika Young – Year 7
Paris Walters – Year 9

I would particularly like to acknowledge Ms Taras for her coordination and Mr Baker, Miss Kyprianou, Miss James and Ms Ryden for supporting their students through the competition.

55th Annual UNSW Mathematics Competition

In June this year, 455 students across Australia sat the Junior Division of the 55th Annual UNSW Mathematics Competition. This is a challenging three hour open-book competition designed to assess mathematical insight and ingenuity rather than efficiency in tackling routine examples. Madison Ueland of Year 10 is to be congratulated on achieving a Credit Certificate, which placed her in the top 15% of students. Madison has been invited to an awards ceremony at UNSW in September to receive her certificate. This is an outstanding achievement.
Zero Robotics

During Term 2, a group of Year 10 Extension Mathematics students participated in the Australian Preliminary Competition of Zero Robotics. We are thrilled that the Monte team has been selected to progress to the International stage of the Competition. They will join other Sydney schools including North Sydney Boys High School, Fort St High School, James Ruse Agricultural High School, Wenona, Gosford High School, Caringbah High School, Sydney Boys High School, Canley Vale High School, and Normanhurst Boys High School. We wish them well in the finals and I thank Ms Taras for her support and guidance of the team.

Student Reflections

We have learnt how to code in the C++ language, which is an advanced coding language, and used this to control a sphere. However, with limitations in the game, the team must also think about strategies to gain the most points.

We have to work with each other and communicate our ideas effectively, combining our knowledge to create an effective code. We have also learnt about breaking down the rules and how to use them, and code to our advantage to gain the most points.

Overall it has been a really enjoyable experience as we are learning something that is a relevant part of our future. Not only this, as women going into a field like this, it is empowering for us, as not many do go into coding. The feeling you get when you run your code and it works really pushes you to continue working.

Christine Ha – 10 Aquinas B

I thoroughly enjoyed this part of the enrichment program, especially as I had heard a lot previously about this topic from my mum who did this for her PhD, and finally got a taste for myself.

We are given challenges that we need to solve through the use of programming our spheres to perform tasks such as capture visuals of the closest asteroids to Earth’s atmosphere (e.g. by inputting certain functions such as moving the spheres to a specific co-ordinate in the simulation, or telling the sphere to take photos). I found the programming challenging last year, especially as we had never been exposed to programming before, but it’s certainly been the best part of the enrichment program for me.

Sophia Jia – 10 Rankin A

Lisa Patterson
Head of Mathematics
Dear Readers,

Last week did you meditate on Luke 18: 18-30? This week, we will explore its parallel, but slightly different account in Mark 10: 17-27.

This is the story of a rich young man concerned for his spiritual welfare. “Good Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?”. Jesus recommended keeping the Commandments.

“Master, I have kept all these since my youth!”, Jesus responded by looking steadily at this young man and being filled with love for him. Knowing that he was looking for a way to move from goodness to greatness, Jesus assured him there was one more thing he could do.

He could sell what he owned and give the money to the poor. Then he would have treasure in heaven, and after that he could come back and follow Jesus. That was a wonderful invitation to discipleship - one that Jesus also extends to each of us in some way. Also, let us remember, Jesus will never be outdone in generosity.

However, the young man’s face fell at these words of Jesus, and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth. He would have to leave this life, enduring the cause of the greatest sadness in this world - giving 75% to God, but keeping back that other 25%, the only barrier to sainthood.

Jesus looked around and said: “My children, how hard it is for those who have riches to enter the Kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than it is for someone who is rich to enter the Kingdom of God.” Astounded, His disciples began to ask one another: “In this case, who can be saved?” Jesus gazed at them with tender mercy, and said: “By human resources it is impossible, but not for God, because with God everything is possible.”

We are living in a world calling us to possess more and more. While we must use things, and plan for the future, we must also be careful not to become so obsessed by them that we forget to live in the present and for heaven. It is imperative that we care for one another as part of our care for our planet.

Have we ever been sad because we did not do something good we could have done? Visit a sick or lonely person? Help someone in financial need? Pray? Make time to listen to our children and those close to us? Find other ways we could, without much trouble, say “Yes” to love? This would be akin to the rich man’s feeling when he walked away with his wealth and his sadness.

When Jesus asks us to give till it hurts, He looks on us with love. We are not saved by our own perfection, but by following Jesus, so let us seek God’s power to do the works of mercy. To God all things are possible - even an urgent plea from the Rio Olympics, to care for all Creation!

Until next week, best wishes from Sr Lecia RSM

“We must all care for our common home – Planet Earth”

POPE FRANCIS – “LAUDATO SI'”

Sister Lecia Coombe RSM

SR LECIA’S THOUGHTS

THE GREATEST SADNESS IN THE WORLD

We must all care for our common home – Planet Earth

POPE FRANCIS – “LAUDATO SI’"
STUDENT SHOWCASE
Public speaking competition

Adelaide Hayes (Year 9) won her local final of the legacy public speaking competition with a prepared speech titled ‘The Language of Intolerance’ in which she discussed the loss of languages, and an impromptu speech on the topic: ‘A Useful Mistake’. She was given the topic with only 5 minutes to prepare a 2 minute speech. Next week Adelaide will compete in the regional finals against the top speakers from the entire Northern Sydney Region.

First place in Ryde Eisteddfod

Congratulations to our wonderful Stage Band on again achieving first Place in the Ryde Eisteddfod, Jazz Band Open Age section. The band received a mark of 95% and were complimented on their solos, balance and outstanding musical interpretation.

This is a great achievement for the girls and their Band Director Catherine Walmsley. Well done to all!

Leadership Camp Reflection

On July 21, the Monte community welcomed the College’s new leaders for 2016-17 at the Leadership Liturgy. In order to confirm the transferral of responsibility and prepare us for the coming year, we attended a Leadership camp that evening and the following day. All of the captains - including the school captain, senior leaders, house captains and co-curricular captains - embraced the opportunity to hear from the College executive about what leadership means to them. As female leaders here at Monte, we believe it is crucial that we follow in the path of the Sisters of Mercy, so we were happy to hear Sr Carmel expand on this idea. We were equally inspired by the other executive staff, each of who expressed their passion for serving others through their leadership role. We were even further inspired when they served us dinner! We would love to leave a legacy of inclusivity and action at Monte, and we’re sure their advice will help us achieve this.

We were then given the chance to ask 2015-16 School Captain Jordana about her experience in the role, and what she would have done a little differently. We took away valuable tips about maintaining good relationships with not only the students of the college but also with our fellow leaders, and in areas for which everyone has concerns such as time management.

Following a fun night of (leadership-related!) games and meditation, we were joined by presenters from the yLead organisation. The day began with a series of games that helped us to realise that the more we listened to and responded to others’ ideas, the more we would get done. In the afternoon, the presenters gave us time to provide each of our captains with suggestions for initiatives they could implement. Not only was it incredibly interesting to hear what others saw as areas for improvement in each of our fields of endeavour, but we each also came away from the activity with an abundance of brilliant ideas for the year ahead!

Proverbs 29:18 tells us, “Where there is no vision, the people perish.” With this in mind - and after having had all thirty-one captains’ legs strapped together in an attempt to navigate a fifteen by five metre room spurred on only by a common goal - we believe that we are ready for a year of leadership and learning! We’re prepared to support each other (like geese flying in a V-formation) in order to create the best Monte environment possible.

Kate McNamara and Meg Kanofski
Monte at the Olympics

I urge you all to get behind Monte Cross Country Coach Milly Clark who will be representing Australia in the Women’s Marathon in Rio on Sunday night 10:30pm our time. Milly joined our coaching team last year. Originally a 400m runner Milly discovered she didn’t have the quickness to run as a sprinter and since then slowly increased the distances she was running until she ran first marathon last year in Japan. Amazingly, that day Milly ran an Olympic qualifying time and is now one of three women who will run for Australia at this years Olympic Games.

Milly has also committed to be the Guest Speaker at the Monte Sant’ Angelo Mercy College 2016 Sports Awards Dinner. I am looking forward to hearing all of the ‘inside goss’ on the games and the experience.

Commitment to Monte Sport

I am a little concerned at what appears to be an increasingly soft approach by parents and students when it comes to attendance and punctuality at training and matches. Attendance at all training and matches is a compulsory expectation when choosing to play sport at Monte. In my opinion it should be an expected value when committing to any sport or team.

We understand that sometimes there are unavoidable circumstances that may prevent a student from missing a particular game or training. However, it is neither fair nor appropriate to schedule activities such as ski weekends (and miss matches) if you have made a commitment to play in a sports team. These decisions significantly impact on others in the team, their families, team coaches, the opposition and the sports department. Not to mention that it sends a message that it is OK to put yourself ahead of a commitment that you have made to a group of other people. Please be mindful of this when you and your daughter decide to play sport for Monte.

Summer Sport

Grading for year 9/10/11 students takes place in WEEK 5 and 6 for most sports. You can access the Grading Calendar HERE.

Links to sport specific Information and Permission Notes can be found below and any queries should be directed to the appropriate sports coordinator (information located on the Grading Calendar).

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Netball

As we move into the final round of netball this Saturday please keep on top of the following dates for netball finals. Times are unlikely to be exactly the same as your current game times so we will publish the fixtures as soon as they become available next week. You can always check your teams progress on the NSNA website.

Semi Finals - Saturday 20th August (1 v 2 and 3 v 4)
Finals – Saturday 27th August (Loser 1 v 2 versus Winner 3 v 4)
Grand Finals – Saturday 3rd September (Winner 1 v 2 and Winner of Final)

The Association has also put aside Saturday 12th September as a back up day in case of wet weather on any of the finals days.

Netball Umpires

Congratulations to the following umpires who were leveled recently:

- Rhiannon Bennett and Sophie Cole (both of Year 8) who are our latest ‘National C Badge’ recipients – a wonderful achievement at such a young age.
- Kate Miller and Caitlin Delaney – Junior Level 3
- Elise Kulen – Senior Level 2

Congratulations

To Mina Ferguson (Year 7) who recently represented Australia at the 34rd European Optimist Championships held in Crotone, Calabria, Italy. The Optimist is a single handed dinghy boat, with more than 150,000 registered boats throughout the world and children up to and including the age of 15 compete together. Mina was awarded the silver medal missing out on gold by only 1 point. Click HERE to see Mina’s comments in the North Shore Times.

To Tully White who is the Australian Junior Longboard Surfing Champion for the second year running after she won the National title last week. Tully also finished 4th in the ‘Open’ age division. WOW!

#ITSOK2PLAY – fulfilling your commitments within sports teams shows that you respect others and your own choices.

Stuart Hanrahan
Sport Program Manager
Representative Netball Reports

On the 27 July, Monte attended the CGSSSA for Netball. I was extremely lucky enough to be in the Monte Junior team with Gabrielle Brown, Bianca Jom, Charlotte Lees, Jessica Maclellan-Pike, Alyssa Maschmedt, Claudia Perry, Millicent Roach, Georgina Taylor, Bethany Thomas, Stephanie Vitlich, and Kaitlin William. There was much excitement and a few nerves from the girls at the start of the day! We were all uncertain of the outcome with high expectations from last year’s champions. Throughout the day the team fought hard in every match, striving to play our best. We were undefeated in our pool. We went on to win the Quarter Finals, Semi Finals and then won the Grand Final with the score of 12-4 against St Ursula, winning the title of CGSSSA Netball Junior Champions. We were extremely proud as a team and we can’t wait to complete at the NSWCCC Netball in August.

Sophia Morahan - Junior (Year 7 & 8)

The intermediate team started their day off strong winning our first game against OLSH 12-3, then continuing to win all our round games: 17-6 to St. Ursula’s, 8-4 to Woolwich and 10-2 to Brigidine. We then made it all the way through to grand finals, winning our quarter and semi finals convincingly. We took on St. Claire’s in the grand final, starting and finishing the game strongly winning 18-9. Overall the day was a big success for the intermediate team and a big thank you to our coach Leonie. We look forward to competing in NSWCCC Netball in August.

Rosie O’Shea and Bella Ward - Intermediate (Year 9 & 10)

The CGSSSA Netball carnival was a very successful day for all Monte teams. Each team performed very well and had fun. With the Seniors winning all four morning games and placing first in our pool, we continued to gel as team, winning our way through Quarter and Semi Finals. We then faced OLSH in the Grand Final which proved to be our toughest game. Although we fought hard, OLSH was the better team on the day defeating us by 4 goals.

Monte was awarded as the champion school for the third year in a row with Inters and Juniors crowned as Champions and Seniors as Runners Up in their divisions. A special thanks to all the coaches, umpires, sports department and supporters who cheered us on particularly through our final match - we couldn’t have done it without you. Well done girls, looking forward to the next carnival in a couple weeks.

Jacqueline Henville, Netball Captain - Senior (Open)

From the Dance Captain......

On Sunday 31 August, Monte’s Contemporary A and Jazz A teams competed in the McDonald’s Sydney Eisteddfod. It was a tough competition with over 50 teams in each section, traveling not just from New South Wales but Queensland, Victoria and New Zealand.

The Contemporary team danced with such elegance and enthusiasm working together as a team. We managed to place Highly Commended against all the amazing competition we were faced with, a terrific result for the girls!

The Jazz team also came out fighting full of energy, dancing their hearts out like never before. With the tough competition they managed to score 87.5, missing out on Highly Commended by half a mark!

Overall the day was a success for everyone with a lot of team bonding and spirit. I’d like to thank Tatiana Neumann-Murphy, the contemporary coach, and Ash Devlin, the jazz coach, for all their hard work and dedication with the team leading up to the competition and on the day.

I am looking forward to the next dance performance at the Monte Dance and Aerobics Showcase Night on Friday 26 August 6-8pm, where all the dance teams will be involved in performing for the Monte community. Entry is free and I encourage everyone to go, it will be a fun night for everyone.

Grace Newman – Dance Captain 2015-16
MONTE NOTICES
**MONTE NOTICE**

**MONTE STUDY CENTRE: TERM 3, 2016**

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Make an appointment, or just turn up!

Free study help for students after school in the library.

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APPLICATIONS CLOSE 23 SEPTEMBER 2016

At Monte we believe in preparing young women for a life of significance, purpose and success.

ELIGIBLE TO APPLY:

- Students from Yrs 7-11 currently attending the College
- Students not currently attending the College that are at present enrolled in Years 6 to 10 elsewhere

Full details and 2017 application form available on the website www.monte.nsw.edu.au

NEXT INFORMATION MORNING AND COLLEGE TOUR. **TUESDAY 23 AUGUST**

Enquiries: registrar@monte.nsw.edu.au

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 23 SEPTEMBER 2016

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**MONTE MATTERS** 12 AUGUST 2016 / TERM 3, WEEK 4

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MONTE DOES Broadway

A SHOWCASE OF MANY FAVOURITE BROADWAY HITS PERFORMED BY OUR MONTE GIRLS

THURSDAY 13 OCTOBER 2016 AT 7PM
TICKETS $15
AVAILABLE THROUGH TRYBOOKING.COM/MKGE

Monte Sant' Angelo
Mercy College
Performing in boys’ schools musicals and drama productions

Many boys’ schools invite our very talented Monte students to take part in their plays and musicals. Each separate invitation is considered carefully against the Monte calendar, and while we are very happy for girls to take part, it is important that commitment to Monte should come first.

If any boys’ school performance clashes with a musical or dramatic production or other major event at Monte, girls will not be permitted to audition. If approval is given, the production will be advertised in ACTA, in Monte Matters, and in posters in the Performing Arts Department.

A permission note specific to that production will be available, and girls and their parents must sign a commitment that all homework and assessments, and any co-curricular sport, performing arts or other commitments, must come first. This note is to be signed also by the girls’ Head of Year, and by Head of Performing Arts. If girls are given a role, they must let the Head of Performing Arts know.

Any students who choose to audition without permission will not be allowed to take part in other Schools’ productions.

Year 11 Monte girls have been invited to audition for Shore’s The Cherry Orchard 2016 production

Auditions will be held on Monday 15 and Wednesday 17 August in Shore Drama Studio. The play will be held 16, 17, 18, and 19 November 2016. Rehearsals will be held Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday afternoons with final rehearsals involving more afternoons. All interested Year 11 students should collect audition form and pieces together with a permission note near the Performing Arts noticeboard. Please note that only students who submit a completed green permission note will be allowed to audition. If you do not gain permission from all parties, you will not be able to take part in the show, even if you are offered a part, so prompt return of the green form is required.

Year 12 2017 HSC Parent and Student Information Evening

Compulsory event for current Year 11 HSC Students and their Parents.

(Please note that this event is not relevant to IB Diploma students)

Tuesday 16 August - 6:00pm - McQuoin Hall

When: Monday 15th August
Tea, coffee and design display from 5:00pm in the OR Foyer
5:30 - 7:00pm performances in OR402

Come along and join Year 11 Drama for a showcase of 2016 student work.