

Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College



School Year Annual Report

Educational and Financial Reporting

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MESSAGES FROM KEY SCHOOL BODIES

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COLLEGE BOARD: Mr Brian Bissaker

As we reflect on 2022, the College can be immensely proud of its achievements. We provided students with a quality education and sound decision-making by the College Principal and Executive Team, ensured a high calibre of both learning and business. The academic achievements of the Class of 2022 and the high levels of staff and student retention, are testament to those efforts.

The College Board met eight (8) times in 2022. There were significant accomplishments and developments overseen by the Board in 2022, which included:

- Continued review and development of curriculum for enhanced student learning.
- Successful pilot of 'Scientist in Residence' to aid classroom and future opportunities.
- Recruitment and development of a Physical Activity and Engagement Team to increase physical activity and participation levels of Monte students.
- The College's provision of a diverse and enriching pastoral and co-curricular program focused on adapting activities to a new format throughout the year.
- The expansion and refinement of the Industry Partnership Programs including Entrepreneur and Inspiring STEM programs.
- Ongoing support of senior students through Mercy House, a dedicated space for Year 12 students to study 7 days a week with extended hours.
- Continued to strengthen the structure of the Creativity Activity Service (CAS) program and Community Service Program, including attendance and contribution to Alfresco Community Kitchen.
- Return of high quality professional learning post COVID to develop staff.
- Progression of the Scientia Project which is now in the fitout phase having completed the excavation and structure and remains due for completion in early 2023. The Scientia Project is about ensuring an enhanced learning experience in facilities that are fit-for-purpose, empowering young women to succeed in the world. It will create a place where Monte students can develop their freedom, strength and independence in equitable learning spaces. The College Board shares the excitement and anticipation of students and staff occupying the learning spaces, enabling the diverse opportunities created by the Scientia Project and the significant transformation that it will provide to the Monte campus.
- Continued high level of academic results in both the NSW Higher School Certificate (HSC) and the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP).
- Exploration of Social Justice Partnerships and Sisters of Mercy connections in Peru.
- Diligent financial management to ensure a strong and sustainable College.
- Commencement of planning for the College Sesquicentenary (150 years) celebrations to occur in 2025.
- Ongoing provision of financial and community support to assist families impacted by changed circumstances.

Strategic Vision 2021-2030

Whilst recognising the past and current strengths, in terms of strong enrolments and high academic standards, the Board is mindful of the need to keep a focus on the future. Considerable time is allocated to monitoring the execution of the College's Strategic Vision.

The Board, Principal and College Executive continue to strive to strengthen the broad goals of:

- 1. Sharing in the mission of mercy of Jesus Christ and the lived spirituality of Catherine McAuley.
- 2. Activating a passion for lifelong learning through inclusive and diverse opportunities and empowering our students to be responsible global citizens
- 3. Holistically developing students to be courageous and compassionate, empowered and principled
- 4. Attracting, developing and retaining high performing professionals engaged with a culture of innovation and collaboration
- 5. Creating and sustaining meaningful reciprocal relationships that enrich our community and partnership
- 6. Generating a positive local and global impact through the responsible custodianship of our campus.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank the College Principal, Executive team and all staff and volunteers at the College. I would also like to thank our community for the support of the College as we continue to deliver a world class education and experience for our students.

The Class of 2022

The College Board congratulates the Year 12 Class of 2022 for their high standard of achievement in both the HSC and IB Diploma Programme. There was an impressive range of success across many subject areas; students have excelled and received state honours. Through their work ethic and resilience, the Class of 2022 have contributed to the College's tradition of academic excellence and accomplishment.

Congratulations to:

Anwen O'Farrell HSC Dux of the College
 Madeleine Griffin HSC Dux of the College
 Emma Greenup IB Dux of the College

SENIOR SCHOOL

The Main Objectives of the Senior Leaders from 2022 were:

- To launch *Mercy through Justice Break the barriers to Justice* campaign that encourages every student to consider what they could do to help others through breaking the barriers to justice.
- To encourage vertical year-group friendships and relationships through interactions and initiatives with the younger year groups, such as:
 - Attending year group meetings to support Year 7 students as they begin secondary school, acting as
 positive role models and encouraging them to get involved in all school activities, creating friendships
 and encouraging gratitude for others by nominating their friends for acts of gratitude to be read at
 year assemblies.
 - Working with Year 8 to encourage acts of kindness and recognising these students through 'snaps' at year assemblies. These were also nominated by tutor staff.
 - o Mentoring the Year 9 Middle School Leaders and the Middle School Representative Council encouraging the students to be involved and active members of the Monte Community.
 - The Social Justice Captains launched their advocacy posters into ACTA each day each week as well as returning to face-to-face Social Justice meetings each cycle:
 - Mercy Action Group Monday
 - Green Team Tuesday
 - Wellbeing Wednesday
 - Biamunga Thinking Thursday
 - Fair Trade Friday
- Building on the work from 2021, the Senior Leadership Team continued to strengthen bonds amongst all leaders within the group through joint meetings and other intitiatives.
- Assisting the Deputy Principal Pastoral Care and the House Captains with new whole school, vertical pastoral session initiatives which culminates in Spirit Week held in August.
- To be mentored and to work with the College Executive in relation to leadership styles and shared experiences, which has enabled relationships between students and Executive staff to be strengthened.

The College Captain has a number of extra duties and commitments as part of her role. The College Captain has led many key events and activities, such as preparation of the main initiative for the year, *CARE – Kindness Revolution based on the book by Hugh MacKay* including presenting inspiring and engaging speeches for assemblies, College tours and more.

Portfolio Roles

Each of the six Senior Leaders chose a portfolio of interest to take responsibility for and to report back to the group.

The portfolios included:

- Meeting Manager (duties were to organise the agenda, record minutes and organise documents), contacting other leaders and College staff for items and meeting dates.
- GROWTH Leader to bring attention to the pillars of GROWTH within each year group.
- SRC Leader to bring SRC Student Voices together once per Semester.
- Assemblies and Events Coordinators' duties included organising events such as the Monte Prefect Afternoon
 Tea and to coordinate attendance at other school Prefect Afternoon Teas, other events and to communicate
 with the Deputy Principal Pastoral Care about whole school assemblies.
- The Leadership Liaison Officer has duties to organise and coordinate leadership team meetings and to work with other leaders and support various initiatives and activities.
- Social Justice and Spiritual Liaison Officer (duties for this portfolio were to meet with the Liturgy Captain, MAG Captain, Biamunga Captain and Environmental Captain to discuss new agendas and upcoming campaigns/events).

Areas where Senior Leaders offered leadership

In 2022 the focus for the Senior Leaders has centered on introducing and championing Monte's focus area, *Break Barriers to Justice*, to actively address imbalance in a world impacted by poverty, oppression and discrimination. Throughout the year, Senior Leaders have sought to challenge the College community to contribute acts of service and to help others in need, both locally and globally. They have achieved this through their own behaviours and attitudes, assembly presentations, emphasising the theme, and reiterating the significance of this throughout all initiatives. The leaders have continued to support the Timor Leste program and have given numerous hours of volunteer time to various projects within the College. These include:

- Designing and creating a banner as a continual reminder of their *Break Barriers to Justice* theme and the many initiatives that support it, especially advocating for Timor (scholarships, teacher professional learning centre, 'Food for Thought').
- *Pedal4Protein and Purchase Protein*, were the two main initiatives for Project Timor in 2022, which included pedalling 12 hours continuously on stationary bikes. This initiative focused on advocating and raising money for Food for Thought program and to support the inclusion of protein in the diets of girls in Colegio.
- Project Timor raised money for Colegio. This served as a springboard for ongoing fundraising (through raffle sales for House Plays). It will buy meals that provide Colegio students with the nutrition to be able to think clearly, learn productively and be at their best.
- Running Year 12 Morning Pastoral Meeting initiatives.
- Role modelling appropriate behaviours on all occasions.
- Promoting and selling the blue-ribbon badges for the Blue Ribbon Bursary Appeal.
- Welcoming Year 6 students to Monte Orientation Day.
- Assisting the College Registrar with College tours, speaking to prospective students and parents about their experience at Monte and leading tours of the College.
- Girls and staff supported the Aminata Maternal Foundation by walking 13 kilometres from the Opera House to Watson's Bay to raise funds and awareness of teenage mothers in Sierra Leone.
- Green members joined staff at Bushcare at St Anthony in the Field, Terrey Hills.
- Not having had the opportunity to go on an immersion due to COVID the Senior Leaders and the Social
 Justice Captains were encouraged to attend the Year 11 Biamunga Retreat for 4 days in Narooma this was
 a wonderful opportunity for the girls to be immersed in leadership and knowledge of First Nations culture
 and understanding

HOUSE CAPTAINS

The House Captains for 2022 began their leadership term with enthusiasm. They demonstrated engagement, spirit and positivity in each activity they had implemented or undergone. The House Captains worked together as a team to strengthen the bonds and connections within all years of each House. All of the goals and initiatives that the House Captains underwent in 2022 were aligned with the College theme *Break the Barriers to Justice* which encourages students to consider others in need.

Each House Captain worked on organising and implementing Spirit Week and the Swimming and Athletics Carnivals, which require cooperation and organisation between all houses. This allowed the Captains to highlight their House Spirit.

Involvement with Year 7 began by welcoming students with house spirit on their first day at school. House Captains also joined Year 7 once a cycle in Homeroom, to build House Spirit within their first year at the College. Students were involved in house cheering in preparation for the College Swimming Carnival and helping students to understand the importance of school spirit and forming new friendships.

MIDDLE SCHOOL 2022

From the Student Leadership Coordinator - Middle School

The Middle School Representative Council (SRC) was established in 2005 as a separate, integral part of student leadership and representation at the College. Its membership consisted of two representatives from each Tutor Group in Year 7 and one representative from each Tutor Group in Years 8 and 9. Four Middle School Leaders led the Middle School SRC.

The 2022 Middle School SRC consisted of six Middle School Leaders, a SRC Representative from each Tutor Group in Years 8 and 9 and two SRC Representatives from each Tutor Group in Year 7.

The activities that the Middle School SRC participated in during 2022 included:

- Middle School Leadership Training Day with a guest speaker who focused on injustice relating to homelessness in Sydney and challenged our response to this issue Mercy in Action.
- SRC forums that focused on problem-solving, open communication and leadership.
- Consultation regarding Assessment Calendar.
- Support of *Pedal4Protein; Purchase Protein* initiatives and Sticky Note Affirmations on all student lockers
- Involvement in Mercy 6 Day and Mercy 6 overnight Eco Justice Retreat for six Year 9 Middle School Leaders.
- Continuation of Year 7 lunchtime games encouraging students to put away their technology and spend time interacting with their peers.
- Year 8 SRC ran a fair to raise awareness of funds for Turtle Rehabilitation in Fitzroy Island QLD and Aminata Maternal Foundation.
- Whole school SRC Meeting to review the year and the impact of student voice.
- Planned, organised and presented two Middle School Showcases.
- Photoshoots for the College.

MESSAGE FROM THE PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

Shirley Cheung, President of the Parents and Friends Association

The Parents and Friends (P&F) Association is guided by the objectives of Community Connection, Contribution to College Life and Compassion, as outlined in our Constitution. Community Connection is about building friendships within the Monte community; Contribution to College Life aims to be inclusive of all in our College community; and Compassion is driven by our Mercy values which permeate all P&F initiatives.

After disruptions experienced over the past two years as a result of the global pandemic, we saw a return to normal with the P&F social calendar back in full force for 2022. We saw a strong uptake in socialising with the P&F Association operating at a great capacity.

During 2022 we held Coffee Connects for all year groups, as well as Parent and Carer Functions, which were well-attended and enjoyed by all. It was so lovely to see our community reconnecting at these events. At the College Open Day, the P&F hosted the café and BBQ. The sites were run by our parent volunteers whose warmth and hospitality were welcomed by the many visitors.

Other exciting social events have been the Father Daughter Dinner Dance and the Mother Daughter Lunch for Year 12 students and the significant men and women in their lives. Year 7 students also had their Father Daughter Pizza Night, whilst Year 8 mothers enjoyed their fabulous mums' weekend away. All of these events brought parents and carers closer together, creating opportunities for new connections to be made, existing connections to reunite and old friends to catch up.

In 2022 the P&F sponsored the Mercy Women's University Scholarship, and we were proud to contribute to such an important initiative. We know the benefit of education for young women and the P&F Association is committed to continuing to support access to higher education for young women who would otherwise not be able to attend university.

One of the key roles of the P&F is to focus on establishing and building community relationships by organising a variety of social events. In recent years we have seen events postponed and reimagined due to the impact of COVID-19. The P&F were delighted that 2022 saw a return to normal social events and activities and that Monte parents embraced the opportunity to establish new friendships and reconnect with old friends. We have had consistently strong parent attendance at events, and we understand the significance of continuing and growing parent interactions.

CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHOOL AND CHARACTERISTICS OF THE STUDENT BODY

FROM THE MYSCHOOL WEBSITE

Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College is an independent Catholic secondary day school for girls, Years 7-12. Founded in 1875 by the Sisters of Mercy under the aegis of Mother Ignatius McQuoin, the College continues a tradition of excellence and innovation in Catholic education in the Mercy tradition. Monte has a strong academic record; in 2007 it became the first Catholic girls school in New South Wales to offer both the International Baccalaureate Middle Years and Diploma Programs. Monte's mission statement is expressed through the College motto: Religio Scientia Cultus we are shaped and directed by what we believe, by what we know, by what we value. The Mercy values of respect for human dignity, compassion, justice, service to others, and commitment to the poor are central to school life. Students are actively involved in justice initiatives, e.g. Education Program in Timor Leste, Fair Trade Campaign, and Reconciliation. A diverse curriculum is supported by an extracurricular program including Music, Debating, Student Leadership, 22 sporting options, international tours and language-exchange opportunities. Students are supported by a sound pastoral care program. The learning environment is assisted by state-of-the-art digital learning resources and contemporary learning spaces.

COLLEGE MISSION

- To provide girls with a quality education, rich in diversity of opportunity.
- To encourage students to realise their potential within a strong, nurturing community based on Mercy values.
- To prepare students for life by challenging them both academically and spiritually and motivating them to make a positive contribution to their world.

VALUES OF THE MERCY TRADITION

The Mercy tradition holds the following values:

Mercy, which means
To be COMPASSIONATE
To provide HOSPITALITY
To celebrate our TRADITIONS

Human Dignity, which means To be RESPECTFUL To value DIVERSITY To EMPOWER each other

Justice, which means
To work for the COMMON GOOD
To be RESPONSIBLE STEWARDS
To be ADVOCATES

Service, which means
To foster EDUCATION
To ensure QUALITY
To address COMMUNITY NEEDS

Option For The Poor
To be AWARE of the poor
To make a COMMITMENT to the poor
To EMPOWER the poor

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE STUDENT BODY

From the My School website:

School ICSEA value	1180
Average ICSEA value	1000

Data source: Parent Information

Distribution of students	Bottom Quarter	Middle (Quarters	Top Quarter
School distribution	0%	5%	23%	71%
Australian distribution	25%	25%	25%	25%

Indigenous students	0%*
Language background other than English	12%

STUDENT POPULATION (as at 28/1/2022)

Year 7	200	Year 9	200	Year 11	203
Year 8	200	Year 10	200	Year 12	189

THEME 3

STUDENT OUTCOMES IN STANDARDISED NATIONAL LITERACY AND NUMERACY TESTING

NAPLAN

Students at Monte completed the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy tests online in 2022, the results of which have been uploaded to the My School website (www.myschool.edu.au/).

It should be noted that from 2019, the method of determining which colour should be used to indicate a school's comparative performance changed. Previously, a school's performance was compared to that of up to 60 schools that had students with a similar background. From 2019 on, the school's performance is compared to the performance of all students with a similar background across the country. This provides a fairer basis for comparison.

With the exception of data for 2020, average student results for each domain from 2014 to 2021 are provided, as well as the average NAPLAN scores for students with a similar background and for all Australian students. As for all schools in 2022 there is no data on progress from two years prior due to the Education Minister's decision to not proceed for NAPLAN testing that year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

SENIOR SECONDARY OUTCOMES (STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT)

RECORD OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT (RoSA)

All students completing Year 10 at the College were eligible for the Record of School Achievement. This is a school leaving credential. 100% of students continued in formal secondary education.

HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE

Forty one percent of the HSC cohort of 2022 achieved an ATAR of 90 or over.

Monte was placed 52nd in the State, according to HSC Band 6 percentages (Source: *The Sydney Morning Herald*). This result does not include the IB cohort's achievements.

In total, 61% of our students were Distinguished Achievers, gaining at least one Band 6 placement in one or more subjects. Nine students were included in the Premier's All-Rounder Achievement List (for students who achieved 90% or more in ten or more units).

There was one entry in the Top Achievers list, with a 5th place in Italian Continuers.

In the following subjects, the school mean was more than 10 percentage points above the State mean: Modern History, French Extension, Geography, Society and Culture, Business Studies, Legal Studies and Ancient History.

Comparison with Other Schools

According to the list of school rankings by percentage of Distinguished Achievers, as published in *The Sydney Morning Herald*, Monte was placed 62nd in the state in the 2022 HSC. Published HSC league tables do not include the results of the IB Diploma. IB results significantly exceeded Australian and world averages. The excellence and depth of the College's results go beyond published top-end comparisons.

HSC Course Report: Historical Analysis of % cohort in Bands 5/6 (overleaf...)

HSC Course Report: Historical Analysis of % cohort in Bands 5/6 & E3/4

(figures rounded to nearest whole number)

Subject	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Ancient History	70	56	82	75	95	74	65	74	73	57	76	74	79
Biology	54	54	71	59	53	55	54	46	50	45	19	45	61
Business Studies	76	92	88	76	74	97	83	81	78	66	69	57	71
Chemistry	50	32	67	54	72	25	31	52	75	60	40	63	46
Community and Family Studies	63	64	63	90	73	83	74	68	89	72	80	41	88
Design and Technology	100	96	94	100	100	100	100	100	88	91	85	88	81
Drama	89	100	43	56	43	53	60	85	75	75	100	100	91
Economics	92	78	89	100	88	57	100	100	55	89	46	57	67
English Standard	41	62	23	57	63	49	40	22	32	13	61	43	28
English Advanced	92	98	83	93	92	88	76	86	82	81	85	86	82
English Extension 1	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	94	100	100	E4:46	E4:22	E4:8
English Extension 2	-	67	100	100	100	50	20	100	83	100	E4:0	E4:40	E4:33
French Continuers	100	100	0	67	40	100	50	75	93	86	80	75	44
French Extension	-	100	-	100	100	-	100	100	100	100	E4:33	E4:33	E4:100
Geography	100	100	92	100	100	96	100	100	90	100	100	87	100
German Continuers	33	75	100	-	67	0	100	83	33	100	67	87	71
German Extension [†]	-		-	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	-	E4:0	E4:20
History Extension	100	100	100	100	92	100	100	100	50	75	100	E4:20	E4:0
Hospitality Examination	79	67	55	50	90	50	60	69	94	64	58	42	83
Indonesian Continuers	80	0	100	75	83	100	75	-	-	-	-	67	40
Indonesian Extension	-	0	-	-	100	100	100	-	-	-	-	E4:50	E4:0
Italian Continuers	30	100	67	83	80	83	100	83	40	100	75	60	75
Italian Extension	100	100	67	100	100	100	-	-	-	-	100	E4:0	E4:50
Legal Studies	85	84	92	92	86	95	75	89	85	90	100	78	87
Mathematics Standard 2	54	53	71	54	55	65	74	84	54	52	58	53	57
Mathematics Advanced	58	56	79	57	65	65	81	66	42	48	58	53	43
Mathematics Extension 1	61	76	100	76	100	68	81	95	82	86	83	E4:37	E4:13
Mathematics Extension 2	100	80	54	100	100	100	75	100	100	100	100	E4:0	E4:0
Modern History	64	100	89	88	82	84	85	88	77	84	83	67	59
Music 1	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	86	88
Music 2	100	100	100	100	100	100	-	66.66	100	100	100	100	50
Music Extension	-	-	100	-	-	-	-	100	-	100	-	E4:100	E4:0
PD/H/PE	73	58	89	80	70	71	62	76	47	48	79	53	76
Physics	60	78	50	100	67	33	0	36	11	50	67	53	0
Senior Science#	-	-	-	-	67	75	-	86	•	67	93	100	-
Science Extension##	100	75	100	75									
Society and Culture	100	100	100	100	92	85	93	100	87	81	100	76	90
Studies of Religion I	68	79	84	89	63	75	66	79	72	78	77	75	70
Studies of Religion II	67	77	78	75	75	77	63	77	58	67	69	76	75
Visual Arts	100	94	96	95	100	90	95	86	88	95	100	86	88

[#] Senior Science was no longer examined in NSW from 2019 ## Science Extension was examined for the first time in 2019 † Studied elsewhere

HSC Results Distribution and School/State Variations

Course Name	No. of Students	Monte % Band 6	State % Band 6	Monte % Band 5	State % Band 5	School State Variant*
Ancient History	10	20.00	8.37	50.00	24.98	36.65
Biology	56	12.50	6.31	41.07	20.34	26.92
Business Studies	45	35.56	10.38	40.00	24.12	41.06
Chemistry	16	6.25	9.18	43.75	23.85	16.97
Community and Family Studies	16	31.25	5.71	31.25	26.6	30.19
Design and Technology	16	50.00	12.73	50.00	34.29	52.98
Drama	9	33.33	20.51	55.56	37.93	30.45
Economics	12	0,00	14.46	91.67	34.77	42.44
English (Advanced)	102	18.63	14.50	73.53	52.59	25.07
English (Standard)	54	7.41	0.55	33.33	14.81	25.38
English Extension 1	3	100.00	39.51	0.00	52.85	7.64
French Continuers	1	0.00	26.07	100.00	31.71	42.22
Geography	18	38.89	10.73	61.11	31.21	58.06
German Continuers	3	0.00	26.57	33.33	30.06	-23.30
History Extension	6	50.00	25.34	50.00	58.17	16.49
Hospitality Examination	19	15.79	6.36	63.16	33.52	39.07
Indonesian Continuers	5	0.00	40.00	80.00	33.33	6.67
Italian Continuers	10	30.00	20.99	0.00	34.25	-25.24
Italian Extension	3	100.00	39.39	0.00	60.6	0.01
Legal Studies	33	36.36	14.48	48.48	26.07	44.30
Mathematics Advanced	65	23.08	22.53	35.38	26.35	9.58
Mathematics Standard 2	81	14.81	7.32	39.51	21.50	25.50
Mathematics Extension 1	36	5.56	34.67	55.56	38.69	-12.25
Mathematics Extension 2	1	0.00	39.51	100.0	45.49	15.00
Modern History	39	20.51	9.76	43.59	24.41	29.93
Music 1	3	33.33	21.52	66.67	47.54	30.94
Music 2	4	25.00	33.91	75.00	52.19	13.90
PD/H/PE	37	29.73	5.15	43.24	20.66	47.16
Physics	5	20.00	12.31	40.00	28.99	18.70
Science Extension	5	20.00	8.20	80.00	70.51	21.29
Society and Culture	10	30.00	11.01	70.00	32.36	56.63
Studies of Religion 1	80	27.50	10.35	40.00	30.33	26.82
Studies of Religion 2	76	11.84	10.05	55.26	36.2	20.86
Visual Arts	19	47.37	16.40	52.63	49.22	34.38

^{*} This column shows the difference between the mean of the school's Scaled Examination Marks and the mean of the State-wide Scaled Examination marks. A positive difference means that the school candidature, on average, has performed better than the total state candidature for that course.

IB Diploma Achievements 2022 and Comparative Historical Data

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Total no. of students	32	36	68#	65	40	37	62	37	25	49
No. of subject entries in the session	256	288	544	520	317	296	496	296	200	392
No. of candidates who passed the Diploma	32	36	65	65	37	37	62	37	25	49
Average points obtained by candidates who passed the Diploma	37	40	36	38	37	37	36	36	36	37
Highest Diploma points awarded to a candidate	44	45*	45*	45	45*	44	45	45*	45	45
Av. grade obtained at the school by candidates who passed the Diploma	5.82	6.31	5.75	5.89	5.86	5.85	5.59	5.72	5.74	5.79
No. of students with at least one	19	30	42	42	24	24	22	20	15	28
Grade 7	(59%)	(83%)	(64%)	(65%)	(60%)	(65%)	(35%)	(54%)	(60%)	(57%)
No. of subjects in which a Grade 7 was	24	26	28	29	25	22	18	19	15	23
achieved	(73%)	(87%)	(78%)	(88%)	(83%)	(71%)	(67%)	(63%)	(68%)	(79%)
No. of students with at least one	30	35	61	64	35	36	56	36	22	47
Grade 6	(94%)	(97%)	(92%)	(98%)	(88%)	(97%)	(90%)	(97%)	(88%)	(96%)
No of subjects in which at least a	32	27	33	30	27	30	24	25	15	23
Grade 6 was achieved	(97%)	(90%)	(97%)	(91%)	(90%)	(97%)	(89%)	(83%)	(68%)	(79%)

^{*} Four were awarded in 2021. Three awarded in 2012; Two in 2020, 2018, 2015 and 2010

IB Diploma Course Report and Summary 2022

Course Name	No. of Students	Grade 7	Grade 6	Grade 5	Grade 4	Grade 3	Grade 2	Grade 1	Total % Grades 6 & 7 [*]
English A Language & Literature HL	22	3	13	6	0	0	0	0	72.73
English A Language & Literature SL	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.00
English A Literature HL	9	3	4	2	0	0	0	0	77.78
French B HL	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	100.00
French B SL	7	1	4	2	0	0	0	0	71.43
German B SL	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	100.00
Indonesian B SL	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	100.00
Italian B SL	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	33.33
Spanish ab initio SL	13	2	6	2	3	0	0	0	61.54
Spanish B SL	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	100.00
Economics HL	4	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	75.00
Economics SL	4	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	75.00
History: Americas HL	12	4	6	2	0	0	0	0	83.33
History SL	7	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	100.00
Psychology HL	9	3	2	4	0	0	0	0	55.56
Psychology SL	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	100.00
Environmental Systems and Societies SL	9	2	4	3	0	0	0	0	66.67
Biology HL	7	1	3	1	2	0	0	0	57.14
Biology SL	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.00
Chemistry HL	6	0	3	0	2	1	0	0	50.00
Chemistry SL	8	1	4	2	0	1	0	0	62.5
Physics HL	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	100.00
Physics SL	4	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	50.00
Sports Exercise Health Science HL	5	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	100.00
Sports Exercise Health Science SL	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	100.00
Design Tech HL	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	75.00
Mathematics: AA HL	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	100.00
Mathematics: AA SL	19	3	7	8	1	0	0	0	52.63
Mathematics: Al HL	3	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	66.67
Mathematics: Al SL	7	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	42.86
Music HL	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	100.00
Music SL	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	100.00
Visual Arts HL	8	1	3	3	1	0	0	0	50.00

^{*}Data is accurate at the time of going to print. Percentages may increase based on re-marks. (HL denotes Higher Level SL denotes Standard Level)

* Comparison between subjects is not valid, given the small cohorts in some subjects.

[#] Two students did not complete qualification rquirements in November 2020.

Core Components (Table 2b)

		Grade A	Grade B	Grade C	Grade D	Grade E	Highest Grade	Lowest Grade
Theory of Knowledge	32	5	18	9	0	0	Α	С
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English	6	3	2	1	-	- }	А	C
Economics	1	-	-	1	-	-	С	С
History	8	2	4	2	-	-	Α	C
Psychology	5	1	1	3	-	-	Α	C
World Studies (Environment and/or Economic Sustainability	1	-	-	1	-	-	С	С
World Studies (Health and Development)	1	-	1	-	-	-	В	В
Sports Exercise & Health Science	4	2	1	1	-	-	A	С
Visual Arts	6	5	1	-	-	-	Α	В
Extended Essay Total	32	13	10	9	0	0	Α	С

Monte IB School/World Grade Comparisons

Course name	No. of students	Highest Grade	Lowest Grade	Average Grade School	Average Grade World	Overall School/World Variation** (7 Grade Points Per Subject)
English A Language & Literature HL	22	7	5	5.86	5.09	0.77
English A Language & Literature SL	1	4	4	4.00	5. 27	-1.27
English A Literature HL	9	7	5	6.11	5.46	0.64
French B HL	1	7	7	7.00	5.34	1.66
French B SL	7	7	5	5.86	5.53	0.33
German B SL	3	7	6	6.67	5.47	1.20
Indonesian B SL	1	6	6	6.00	6.00	0.00
ltalian B SL	3	6	4	5.00	4.95	0.05
Spanish ab initio SL	13	7	4	5.54	5.41	0.13
Spanish B SL	4	7	6	6.50	5.64	0.86
Economics HL	4	7	4	6.00	5.59	0.41
Economics SL	4	7	5	6.00	5.49	0.51
History: Americas HL	12	7	5	6.17	4.32	1.85
History SL	7	7	6	6.57	4.65	1.92
Psychology HL	9	7	5	5.89	5.46	0.42
Psychology SL	2	7	7	7.00	5.04	1.96
Environmental Systems & Societies SL	9	7	5	5.89	4.12	1.77
Biology HL	7	7	4	5.43	4.85	0.58
Biology SL	2	5	4	4.50	4.01	0.49
Chemistry HL	6	6	3	4.83	5.50	-0.67
Chemistry SL	8	7	3	5.50	4.22	1.28
Physics HL	1	6	6	6.00	5.43	0.57
Physics SL	4	7	5	6.00	3.99	2.01
Sports Exercise Health Science HL	5	7	6	6.40	5.87	0.53
Sports Exercise Health Science SL	1	7	7	7.00	4.03	2.97
Design Technology HL	4	7	5	6.25	4.58	1.67
Mathematics AA HL	3	7	6	6.33	5.42	0.91
Mathematics AA SL	19	7	4	5.63	4.40	1.23
Mathematics Al HL	3	6	5	5.67	4.45	1.22
Mathematical Al SL	7	6	5	5.43	4.20	1.23
Music HL	2	7	7	7.00	5.66	1.34
Music SL	1	6	6	6.00	4.33	1.67
Visual Arts HL	8	7	4	5.50	4.81	0.69

VET COURSES AND HSC/VET/IB QUALIFICATIONS

The College provides for one VET course onsite, Hospitality, and 12% of the Year 12 HSC cohort undertook this course. This represents 10% of the whole Year 12 cohort. All VET students who undertook this course attained their VET qualification.

In the Higher School Certificate, 156 students were awarded the qualification and one student completed units towards her HSC. In the IB Diploma Programme, 32 students were awarded the Diploma in 2022.

Senior Secondary Outcomes	Student %
Percentage of students undertaking vocational training	10%
Percentage of students attaining a Year 12 certificate or equivalent VET qualification	100%

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING, TEACHING STANDARDS

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

College-funded professional development and professional learning is an essential part of the pastoral and professional care of staff at the College and is provided to enable staff to better meet the needs of students. All teachers are required to update and develop knowledge and skills pertaining to their work. The professional learning of teaching staff is guided by the following principles:

- 1. All teachers participate in professional development and/or professional learning opportunities;
- 2. Embedded within teacher practice and built into the day-to-day work of teaching;
- 3. Professional learning aims to meet the needs of teachers;
- 4. Be fully integrated and commensurate within the Monte Sant Angelo Spiritual, Academic and Well-Being context;
- 5. Focused on improving student learning outcomes and needs;
- 6. The planning of Staff Meetings, faculty and pastoral planning time and Staff Conferences is a collaborative process and aims to enhance student and teacher learning;
- 7. Data driven and based on up-to-date research into effective teaching and learning pedagogies;
- 8. Continuous and coherent and focused on the development of a culture growth and capacity building;
- 9. Related to personal and individual engagement;
- 10. Teacher participation in professional development and professional learning activities is fair, equitable and inclusive;
- 11. Professional development meets the requirements of NESA and supports teachers in maintaining their level of accreditation;
- 12. College-based Board Endorsed professional learning and enabling teachers to embed their learning needs within their role as educators at the College, particularly through the process of Collaborative Professional Attainment (CPA).

Collaborative Professional Attainment (CPA)

2022 saw full staff engagement in Collaborative Professional Attainment (CPA) in Terms 1 - 4, with all teachers at the College working towards achieving identified goals that have been set with reference to the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers. Allocated time has been used as per the planning schedule, with teachers negotiating time during the day to undertake observations.

In 2022 teachers were required to develop a specific Inquiry Question in relation to their Goal. An inquiry question provides a focus for teachers to improve teaching and learning. They are required to collect triangulated evidence measure the effect of improved strategies for teaching and learning.

CPA groups include:

- Teachers nominate to be part of a **mixed cross faculty group** to work on a nominated focus area and collaborate with ideas and lesson observations. In 2022 these groups included all faculties with representatives in Focus groups on; Critical and Creative Thinking; Growth Mindset; Embedding Capabilities and ATLS; Deep Learning; Active Learning; Feedback; Student Motivation.
- Teachers nominate to be part of a **mixed cross faculty group** to work on individual goals and collaborate with ideas and lesson observations.
- Teachers nominate to be part of a faculty-based group to focus on a common area of interest or goal. The focus area or goal for these groups will be developed by the teachers in the group, based on an area of interest in teaching and learning related to their subject area. In 2022 PDHPE, Languages, Science, Mathematics and English worked in small faculty groups with a specific focus for improving teaching and learning. As with other CPA groupings, this group is limited to ideally four, and no more than five people; and in the case of faculty-based groups, the CPAL role will be held by someone other than the Head of Department (HOD).

Professional Learning continued...

As part of their collaborative CPA groups, staff are currently working towards varying degrees of standards and descriptors that align to the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers. Some key observations include:

- An observable classroom practice goal.
- *Educator Impact* is used as a tool to provide the opportunity for staff to collect data on their practice through self-reflection, student surveys and colleague observation.
- Pedagogy is strongly reflected in the goals, as evidenced from the concentration of teaching effort across Standards 2,3 4.

Based on observations and feedback, the following recommendations are made:

- 1. Teachers continue to have the opportunity to form their own collaborative group in 2022, based on a shared goal. Such groups need to have a clear and identified purpose, which is explicitly linked to the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers, a nominated CPA Leader, and no more than 5 participants. They may be inter or intra faculty groups. This allows for the inclusion of action research models, and other professional learning structures, as identified by the teachers. It would also allow teachers undertaking the same external accreditation process to form a professional learning community in which to work.
- 2. Teachers have an opportunity to engage in CPA focus areas that align with the Strategic Vision and focus for the College.
- 3. Teachers will be engaging with active inquiry into their practice in 2023 by collecting triangulated evidence over the year, related to their goal.
- 4. *Educator Impact* was continued for all teaching staff in 2022 to provide the opportunity for staff to collect data on their practice through self-reflection, student surveys and colleague observation. Changes were made for staff to select just one competency rather than 8 due to some fatigue in staff and students attitudes to the survey which has been in action for 10 years.
- 5. Teachers who do not self-nominate a group be formed into groups.
- 6. Groups have been formed to align to Strategic Objectives focused on developing Critical Thinking approaches to Learning.

The CPA process at the College is where all teachers meet their ongoing Maintenance of Accreditation requirements for the Mandatory Accreditation Requirements. This is complimented with additional professional development within and outside of the College. The CPA policy and process, as it is currently designed, meets the requirements of the Performance and Development Framework and the NSW Government's Great Teaching, Inspired Learning. It is therefore further recommended that future changes reflect the requirements of these documents to ensure ongoing compliance by the College.

Centre for Professional Learning (CPL)

The CPL continued to be used for staff learning and meetings in 2022. The Centre has provided a central area for staff professional learning particularly with regards to Breakfast Club and CLL meetings. Diverse staff groups and departments have utilised the space for meetings as well as individual staff spending time in the Centre to work in a space conducive to uninterrupted work time.

The Breakfast Club training programs continued in 2022, with most sessions offered via Zoom. These were a series of early morning training modules for teachers in areas of teaching and learning pedagogies that can be enhanced through the use of appropriate ICT's. The sessions focused specifically on the use of developing pedagogy to develop and implement engaging classroom learning. These sessions were run by staff at the College.

Teacher Advisory Group

The purpose of this group is to provide a forum for teaching staff to come together with the Principal, the Director Professional Learning (DPL) and the Director Staff Services, in an informal setting, to discuss the environment for optimal teaching and learning at the College. The group has been designed to offer an opportunity for continuous dialogue with leading classroom teachers in accordance with the philosophy of the leadership structure of the College. It is also an opportunity to develop and recognise teachers leading teaching and learning, in line with the AITSL professional standards for teachers. Eleven teachers have been invited to this group, for a two year period, based on three main criteria. These criteria ensure a cross section of teachers are represented in the group.

Professional Learning continued...

The criteria include that:

- Teachers are from a variety of faculties and year groups;
- Teachers have differing years of experience in the teaching profession;
- Teachers have differing years of experience in teaching at Monte.

Formation

The Head of Liturgy and Faith Formation and the Director Professional Learning work together to support staff with setting a Mercy Goal and engaging in Professional Learning on their faith journey. This Formation programme was first presented to staff in July 2016 and continues in the same format. Staff select a Mercy Goal for the year as part of their CPA process and discuss this with their colleagues and act on this throughout the year.

The Director of Professional Learning and the Head of Identity and CAS, work together to develop the Staff Retreat which occurs at the end of Term 2. This is held at the Sisters of Mercy Retreat Centre in Leura and focuses on reflection and Mercy Formation.

Experienced Teacher Accreditation

- In 2022 seven staff members were eligible and applied for Experienced Teacher Accreditation through the Independent School Teacher Accreditation Authority (ISTAA). They are currently undertaking the process.
- There were five staff undertaking their application for Accreditation as Experienced Teacher in 2022. They
 have engaged in online workshops to prepare for their application and we have introduced a comprehensive
 program for this group to meet with the Director Professional Learning to explore the requirements of their
 applications and address areas of need in their teaching practice. They are eligible to submit their
 applications by the end of 2023.

Proficient Teacher Accreditation

• Seven teachers were successful at achieving Proficient Teacher Accreditation in 2022. They were mentored and supported by the DPL and an Experienced Staff Mentors.

Maintenance of Accreditation

• At the conclusion of 2022, all teachers not undergoing application for Proficient Accreditation were maintaining accreditation at Proficient. Two teachers are Accredited as Highly Accomplished/Lead Teachers.

Continuing Leadership Learning (CLL)

The middle management of the College continued their participation in the Continuing Leadership Learning (CLL) program, participating in a one-day College Leader's Conference in January and a further four sessions across the year. Their focus in 2022 was strategic and vision focused Leadership and Service Leadership. Penny Brown (Senior Leadership Consultant: Leadership Centre) from the AIS, led the sessions.

Professional Learning

In 2022, most teachers participated in professional development activities organized by external providers and/or through the Staff Conference and meeting program of the College. On average, every teacher participated in 1 day of professional learning through external providers (including those provided by the International Baccalaureate Organization), and 7 days through the Staff Conference program, averaging at around 45 hours per teacher across the year (including International Baccalaureate training).

Approximately 48% (62/128) of teaching staff participated in professional development courses facilitated by external providers during 2022, with the providers including the Association of Independent Schools (AIS), Teacher Training Australia (TTA) and professional associations affiliated with the Professional Teachers' Council of NSW (PTC) dominating.

External courses related primarily to the following areas:

- Student Wellbeing
- Various Department-related curriculum workshops and network meetings
- IB curriculum development
- Educational Leadership
- Deep Learning
- Critical and Creative Thinking
- Reconciliation Convention
- Feedback and Assessment
- Learning spaces
- Coding and Game Development
- Project Based Learning
- Gifted and Talented
- Learning Differentiation
- Inclusive Education
- Literacy
- Motivating Engaging and Managing Students Effectively
- Accreditation
- Mercy Spirituality and Leadership

TEACHING STANDARDS

Category	No. of teachers
Teachers having teacher education qualifications from a higher education institution within Australia or as recognised within the National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition (AEI-NOOSR) guidelines	122
Teachers having a bachelor degree from a higher education institution within Australia or one recognised within the AEI-NOOSR guidelines but lack formal teacher education qualifications.	0

TEACHERS' QUALIFICATIONS

Cert Relig Ed, CEO Cert Religious Ed, Aquinas Acad

B Art Ed. CoFA UNSW Cert Tech Teach, East Svd Tech Dip Acting & Directing, Syd Acting School B Art Ed, UNSW (x2) B Art Theory, UNSW Dip Arts, Syd Inst Tech Dip Ed (Languages), Giessen Dip Ed Leadership, ACU B Arts (Comms) LITS B Arts (Hons), Ottowa B Arts (Hons), USyd (x2) Dip Ed, ACU (x2) B Arts Ed (Secondary), UTS Dip Ed, Flinders Dip Ed, Macquarie (x3) B Arts, ACU Dip Ed, Syd College of Adv Ed Dip Ed, Syd T College (x3) Dip Ed, UNE B Arts, Adelaide B Arts, CSU B Arts, Macquarie (x2) B Arts, Notre Dam Dip Ed, UNSW B Arts, Sorbonne Dip Ed, USQ B Arts, Sydney CAE Dip Ed, USyd (x7) B Arts, UNE Dip Ed, Wollongong B Arts, UNSW (x2) B Arts, USyd (x12) Dip Interior Des, Comm Arts College Syd Dip Journalism, Macleay College B Arts, UWS B Arts, Wollongong Dip Modern Languages, Melbourne Dip Struc Eng, Brighton Dip Teaching, ACU (x2) B Arts (Fine Arts), UWS B Arts/B Ed, Notre Dame Dip Teaching, Cath College of Ed, Syd B Arts/B Ed, UNSW B Arts/B Ed, USyd Grad Cert Ed Studies Learning Support, USyd Grad Cert Ed Studies, USyd B Arts/B Teaching, ACU
B Arts/Dip Ed, Macquarie (x8) Grad Cert Interfaith Relations, ACU Grad Cert RE, ACU (x3) B Arts/PGCE, Brighton Grad Cert Relig Ed, ACU B Biomed Sci, UTS Grad Cert Theological Studies, Flinders B Bus, CSU B Comm (Hons), Carleton Grad Cert Theology, UON Grad Dip Bus Mgt, UNSW B Comm, Bombay B Commerce, Melbourne B Des/B Art & Des Ed, UNSW Grad Dip Ed, ACU (x6) Grad Dip Ed, Adelaide Grad Dip Ed, Canberra B Ec & Soc Sci (Hons), USyd Grad Dip Ed, CSU Grad Dip Ed, Griffith Grad Dip Ed, Macquarie (x2) B Economics, USyd B Ed (Physical Ed), UTS B Ed (Primary) (Hon), USyd Grad Dip Ed, Newcastle CAE B Ed H Mov (Hons), USyd B Ed H Mov & Health (Hons), USyd Grad Dip Ed, Sydney CAE Grad Dip Ed, USyd B Ed H Mov & Health Ed, USyd (x2) Grad Dip Ed, UTS (x2) B Ed Health Mvmt & Health Ed, USyd (x2) B Ed Secondary Science, USyd Grad Dip Edu, CCES Grad Dip Edu, USyd B Ed Tech App Studies, USyd Grad Dip Psych, CSU B Ed, ACU (x6) B Ed, Canberra Grad Dip RE, South Australia Grad Dip Teach, Charles Darwin B Ed, Griffith Grad Dip Teaching, Curtin Grad Teacher Prog, U East London Juris Doctor, ANU B Ed, Toronto B Ed, USyd (x3) B Ed, UTS M App Pos Psych, Melbourne B Ed, Wollongong B Ed/B Arts, USyd (x2) M Arts (Theology), Notre Dame M Arts, City U London B Ed/B Science, Flinders M Arts, Macquarie (x2) M Arts, USyd (x3) M Bus Mgmt, Sorbonne B Edu (Art), UNSW B Edu/B Science, USyd (x2) B Health Sc/Human Mvmt, ACU M Comm, Shivalji B Hospitality (Business Management), UWS B Human Movement Studies, ACU M Ed (Online), USQ M Ed Admin, Macquarie B Laws, Melbourne M Ed Leadership, ACU (x3) B Marine Sci (Hons), Wollongong B Mus (Hons), London M Ed Leadership, USyd M Ed, ACU (x3) B Music (Music Ed) (Hons), USyd/Cons Music M Ed, Deakin B Music Ed, USyd B Music, NSW Con M Ed, Macquarie M Ed, Melbourne B Sc, Cardiff M Ed, UNSW B Sc, Johannesburg B Sc, U West Indies M Ed, USQ M Ed, USyd (x7) B Sc, UNSW (x2) M Ed, UTS B Sc, UOtago B Sci (Hons), Bath M Edu Leadership, ACU M English Studies, USyd B Sci (Hons), James Cook M Intl Studies, UTS B Sci (Hons), Westminster B Sci, ACU M Relig Ed, ACU M Sc, Brunei B Sci, Macquarie M Special & Inclusive Ed, USyd B Sci. UNSW (x2) M Teaching (Secondary), Deakin M Teaching, ACU B Sci, USyd (x5) B Sci. UTS B Sci/Dip Ed, Macquarie B Teach, UWS (x2) M Teaching, UNE M Teaching, USyd (x4) M Theology, Newcastle B Teach/B Arts, ACU (x2) Mathematics, Lancaster B Teaching (Sec), CSU B Teaching/B Arts, Newcastle PGCE Geo & ICT, Bath PGCE Maths Ed, Leeds B Teaching (Visual Arts), UWS PGCE, London B Teaching/B Health & Phy Ed, Newcastle B Tech (Civil Eng), USQ PGCE, Worcester PGDE, Trinity College Dublin B Theology, Melb College Divinity PhD Organic Chemistry, Dublin B Vis Arts, Newcastle CAE BA Hons Dance Studies, Roehampton Post Grad Cert Ed, Johannesburg Post Grad Cert Ed, Leicester BA Theology/Music (Hons), St Patrick's Ireland Post Grad Cert Ed, Northhampton Cert II Building & Const, TAFE Cert II Kitchen Ops, TAFE Post Grad Cert Ed, Sussex Post Grad Cert Maths, CSU Cert IV Catering Ops, TAFE Post Grad Dip D & T, ACU Cert IV Hospitality, TAFE TESOL Cert, UNSW Cert IV Training & Asses, TAFE (x2) Cert RE, ACU Cert Relig Ed, Catholic D

WORKFORCE COMPOSITION, INCLUDING INDIGENOUS

	Teaching Staff			Non-Teaching Staff	
<u>Full Time</u>	Part Time	<u>Total</u>	<u>Full Time</u>	Part Time	<u>Total</u>
112	10	122	42	16	58

THEME 7

STUDENT ATTENDANCE, RETENTION RATES AND POST SCHOOL DESTINATIONS

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Level	Attendance Rate
Year 7	90.12%
Year 8	88.18%
Year 9	87.18%
Year 10	85.67%
Year 11	87.36%
Year 12	88.81%
All Years	87.88%

^{**} Attendance rates may differ from previous years due to COVID health restrictions.

MANAGEMENT OF NON-ATTENDANCE

The College has well-established procedures in place to record and monitor attendance at school. The Absentee Office staff record and monitor attendance using systems such as the College database, and work closely with the Year-level Pastoral Teams and the Deputy Principal Pastoral Care to ensure students are provided with a quality education in a safe, supportive environment. Procedures include:

- Rolls are taken each morning by Tutors via an online database called Edumate;
- Reports are completed by the Absentee Office by mid-morning and issued to staff via email periodically throughout the day;
- Phone calls from home are required to explain absences in the morning;
- The Absentee Office will undertake all reasonable measures to contact parents promptly concerning an unexplained absence. Contact with the parent may be made either by telephone, email or SMS text message.
- Notes or an email from a parent/carer are required the following day for absences if no other reason is forwarded to the Absentee Office;
- Tutors are instructed to contact the student's home after three days of absence and to notify the Absentee Office;
- Heads of Year monitor absences of students;
- The Absentee Office sends Heads of Year the names of students who are regularly absent for follow-up;
- The Absentee Office sends an email to parents asking for explanations of student absences;
- Reports are created in the College database (Edumate) weekly and are monitored by the Deputy Principal Pastoral Care;
- Staff have access to all attendance records of students in Edumate on a daily basis;
- The Absentee Office records and files all phone calls and absence notes;
- All teachers mark attendance rolls online in each lesson so that the Absentee Office can monitor attendance;
- Any requests for extended leave of absence must be submitted to the Principal for approval, using the Application for Exemption from Attendance at School form.

RETENTION RATES (Year 10-Year 12) AND POST-SCHOOL DESTINATIONS

100% of students who completed Year 10 (2020) continued on to complete Year 12 (2022) at the College.

At the end of Year 12, 97% of our students received university offers in NSW, some took up employment or enrolled at TAFE and private colleges and interstate universities.

There was interest in a variety of university courses particularly through the University of Technology Sydney, University of Sydney, Macquarie University and University of NSW.

ENROLMENT POLICIES

ENROLMENT POLICY

Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College is an independent Catholic School for Girls from Years 7 to 12, in the tradition of Sisters of Mercy, North Sydney. The College Mission Statement asserts:

- We provide girls with a quality education, rich in diversity of opportunity;
- · Students are encouraged to realise their potential within a strong, nurturing community based on Mercy values;
- We prepare students for life by challenging them both academically and spiritually;
- We motivate students to make a positive contribution to their world.

POLICY

This policy has been developed in order to provide guidelines for the enrolment of students to ensure that all enrolment applications are dealt with justly and consistently.

The College receives applications for enrolment in two categories:

- To commence at the beginning of Year 7;
- To join the relevant cohort at any time after the beginning of Year 7.

The College seeks to enrol girls:

- Whose families have similar attitudes, values and priorities as the College;
- Who will avail themselves of the academic opportunities;
- Who will participate in the co-curricular life of the College;
- Who will abide by the College regulations.

Religious Commitment:

All students in Years 7-12 participate in the Catholic spiritual and liturgical life of the College in the Mercy Tradition. All students study Religious Education. Year 12 Higher School Certificate students study either *Studies of Religion I or II* and the IB Diploma Programme students study *Catholic Studies* in addition to their Diploma subjects. The College promotes the knowledge and experience aspects of faith development and an attitude of tolerance and respect for the beliefs held by others. All students undertake Mercy Action and Community Service.

Academic Commitment:

All students in Years 7-10 at the College follow the NESA, Teaching and Educational Standards curriculum together with the Middle Years framework of the International Baccalaureate. In Years 11 and 12 students elect to undertake either the NSW Higher School Certificate or the IB Diploma Program. Both programs are available to all students regardless of previous academic attainment.

PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES

1. Enrolment

1.1 <u>Conditions for Year 7 Entry Enrolment</u>

For a student to be enrolled at the College or to be placed on a waiting list, the following is required:

- Parents / carers need to complete and return the signed Enrolment Application and pay the non-refundable application fee;
- Parents / carers need to provide a copy of the Catholic Baptism Certificate (if applicable) with the application;
- Parents / carers need to provide a written family reference with the application;

1.2 <u>Enrolment Steps for Year 7 Entry</u>

- 1.2.1 On receipt of an Enrolment Application, Application Fee and the necessary documentation the College Registrar will respond in writing, with either a:
 - Letter of Offer offering a Year 7 place in the relevant calendar year intake, where vacancy exists and an applicant is Baptised Catholic. Such offers being made according to the chronological order of their receipt by the College Registrar; or;
 - Wait List Placement advising of placement of the applicant's name on the relevant waiting list according to the enrolment guidelines.
- 1.2.2 To accept the place offered by the College, parents/carers need to complete and return the signed Acceptance Form and pay the non-refundable Acceptance Fee.
- 1.2.3 Where an applicant has accepted a Year 7 place, the College will finalise Confirmation of Enrolment in the first school term of the year two years prior to the year of entry.
 - For students entering at Year 7, they must have completed the appropriate level of primary education, or its equivalent.

At this time the College requests the following:

- Receipt of a signed Confirmation of Enrolment Contract that includes a signed statement of account responsibility;
- Payment of the non-refundable Confirmation of Enrolment Fee;
- A copy of relevant student information.

Additionally, siblings' Fee Account is to be current without an outstanding balance and a demonstrated capacity to meet the fee obligations is evident.

1.3 Wait List Management Year 7 entry

Applicants placed on the Wait List will remain on the Wait List until the start of the final enrolment process two years prior to the year of entry. It will be at this time that a position may become available. Cancelled confirmed places will be re-offered to applicants on the Wait List in the following order:

- 1. Daughters of alumni
- 2. Siblings accepted, enrolled, attending or past students
- 3. Baptised Catholic girls attending a Catholic primary school
- 4. Baptised Catholic girls attending a non-Catholic primary school
- 5. Non-Catholic girls

Within each of the above categories, enrolment offers are made according to the chronological order of the receipt of the application. Special consideration may be given to daughters of families transferring from interstate or overseas, and from other Mercy or Catholic Colleges.

If confirmed places become available due to cancellation, prior to the final enrolment process, a place may be offered to applicants on the Wait List in accordance with the above categories and in chronological order of receipt.

1.4 <u>Pre Admission Requirements Year 7 entry</u>

The College requires the following information to be provided prior to commencement in Year 7:

- Year 5 Naplan Results (or equivalent)
- Year 5 Academic Report (or equivalent)
- Student medical details
- Family details to fulfil Federal and State Government Education Census data requirements

2. Enrolment Steps for Post Year 7 Entry

- 2.1 Enrolment of students after Year 7 is dependent upon places being available.
- 2.2 Enrolment for students wishing to join the relevant cohort at any time after the beginning of Year 7 is conducted as follows:
 - Parents/carers must complete and return the signed Enrolment Application and pay the non-refundable application fee;
 - Parents/carers must complete and return the Post Year 7 Enrolment Data Form;
 - Parents/carers must provide a copy of the students most recent School Report with the Enrolment Application;
 - Parents/carers must provide a written family reference with the Enrolment Application;
 - The College reserves the right to contact a prospective students' past school to complete a financial and pastoral
 care check if deemed appropriate;
 - The student(s) and parent(s) are required to attend an interview with the Principal or delegate;
 - The offer of enrolment to any Post Year 7 Entry is made post-interview on the discretionary authority of the Principal;
 - All offers of Post Year 7 enrolment will be confirmed in writing with a formal letter of offer;
 - To accept the enrolment offer, Parents/carers must complete and return the signed Confirmation of Enrolment Contract that includes a signed statement of account responsibility;
 - Payment of the non-refundable Acceptance fee and the non-refundable Confirmation of Enrolment Fee needs to be made before the student(s) commences at the College.

3. Enrolment Information and Procedures

- 3.1 The College reserves the right to terminate a student's enrolment.
 - 3.1.1 Enrolment may be reviewed at any time if the behaviour or progress of a student is deemed to be unsatisfactory. The College may review any student's enrolment from time to time and may cancel the enrolment if the College, in its absolute discretion, considers that it can no longer appropriately meet the student's needs.
 - 3.1.2 Enrolment will be reviewed at the end of Year 10. Progression from Year 10 to Year 11 should not be considered automatic.
- 3.2 Fees are charged and payable for Academic Tuition and Co-Curricular Activities.
 - 3.2.1 Tuition fees are determined by the College Board and are subject to rules and variations.
 - 3.2.2 All College fees are payable in accordance with the Due Date for the respective payment method selected.
 - 3.2.3 Where a parent owes monies to the College and all fees have not been paid during the year, or if arrangements agreed by the parent and the College have not been honoured by the parent, the daughter(s) cannot be enrolled at the College in the following year, subject to the discretion of the College Principal.
 - 3.2.4 The Principal must be given, in writing, a term's notice of the withdrawal of a student. A term's fees will be charged in lieu of notice.

- 3.3 The College seeks the financial support of parents via contributions to the College Building Fund and the College Foundation for the on-going provision of resources.
 - 3.3.1 Donations are sought from the parent community in order to fund the continued improvement of College facilities.

4. Exchange Students & Short Term Enrolments

Students wishing to join the College any time up to a year on exchange or for a short term stay are expected to:

- 4.1 Complete a Short-Stay Enrolment Form that provides the college with suitable details should an emergency ensue.
- 4.2 Meet the following requirements:
 - Participate as fully as possible in the life of the College;
 - Obey all school rules;
 - Wear the uniform supplied through the College Shop;
 - Nominate a guardian who will act *in loco parentis* with whom the College has easy contact.
- 4.3 Make a donation to the College at the level set by the College.
- 4.4 The College will not charge tuition fees for the first term of an exchange only. Exchange students enrolled for more than one term will be charged full tuition fees for any subsequent terms.
- 4.5 Exchange students enrolled for more than four weeks will be issued with a College computer device. A fully refundable deposit will be payable by direct deposit prior to the exchange student's commencement.
- 4.6 This deposit will be refunded when the exchange student returns the College device and if the device is in the same condition as it was issued. It is the responsibility of the exchange student's family to provide the bank details to the College Registrar to enable the refund to be transferred.

5. Principal's Discretion

The Principal has discretionary authority in relation to the enrolment of any student at the College.

6. College Statement on Collected Information

Information collected and held during the enrolment process will be treated in accordance with the College Statement on Collected Information.

OTHER SCHOOL POLICIES

Full policies are available to all staff and students on the College intranet (The staff access policies via the staff intranet, and students access via their Year-level pastoral pages)

POLICIES FOR STUDENT WELFARE

Child Protection Policy

Rationale

It is the right of all students at Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College to experience a safe, secure and nurturing environment. School authorities and employees owe a duty of care to students. This duty of care is to take reasonable steps to protect students from a reasonably foreseeable risk of harm. The Mission Statement of the College is explicit in its promotion of a safe environment and seeks to promote the values of justice, compassion and dignity for all members of the College community. It is this environment that the Child Protection Policy of the College is designed to protect.

Specifically, the Policy details:

PART A: Legislative Requirements

PART B: Definitions

PART C: Working with Children

PART D: Reportable Conduct

PART E: Procedures to be followed in the event of an allegation made or suspicion of risk of significant harm by an external person

PART F: Types of Reportable Conduct for EXTERNAL allegations

The mere allegation of some form of harm shall not be constituted as proof of harm. The policy of the College regarding confidentiality shall be observed by all members of staff in regards to internal and external threats.

<u>Purpose</u>

To document formal procedures to be followed in the event of an allegation of risk of significant harm to a student or reportable conduct either by an external person not employed or engaged with the College or an internal employee.

Pastoral Care Policy

Rationale and Overview

Every student enrolled at Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College has the right to encounter the love of God through her experience of being treated with dignity and compassion while at school. It is hoped that through this experience she may grow into a young adult, confident in herself and capable of acting towards others with honesty and integrity. The care of adolescents and young adults should take place within a creative culture, with an emphasis being placed on the positive aspects of choice. Students are encouraged to be active in the whole school community through a wide variety of activities and to make their own varied and positive contributions to the mutual support of their fellow students.

Effective Pastoral Care aims at ensuring that every student is cared for within both the formal and the informal curriculum. The College is committed to the involvement of all staff in the care of our students.

Pastoral Care is also an integral part of every aspect of the formal academic curriculum, whether through subject content or classroom management. The students are then better prepared to meet the challenges of life through their participation in a Pastoral Care Program. All students participate in a formal and integrated pastoral program which is timetabled into the school curriculum.

Access to specialist care services is available as required for students with specific needs.

<u>Purpose</u>

To document the system of pastoral care provided by the College staff.

To identify the responsibilities of staff for student Pastoral Care.

Policies for Student Welfare continued...

Attendance Policy

Rationale and Purpose

Regular attendance at school is essential if students are to maximise their potential. Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. While parents are legally responsible for the regular attendance of their children, school staff - as part of their duty of care - monitor part or whole day absences. The College has procedures in place to record and monitor attendance at school. This ensures students are provided with a quality education in a safe, supportive environment. This Policy has been updated in accordance with the NSW Education Act 1990 (the 'Education Act').

SUMMARY OF ANTI-BULLYING POLICY

Harassment and Anti-Bullying (Excerpt printed in student planner)

Rationale

Every student enrolled at Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College has the right to experience a learning environment free from intimidation and humiliation and feel safe whilst at school. The care of students should take place within a safe environment to prevent any form of harassment or bullying. Through this positive learning environment, students grow into young adults, confident in themselves and capable of acting towards others with honesty and integrity. The College is committed to the involvement of all staff in the care of students. All students participate in formal and integrated Pastoral programs and documentation which include reference to Bullying Prevention and consequences. The College works towards achieving conflict resolution through conflict management strategies. The College is committed to the principles of acknowledging God's presence in the world and, therefore, demonstrating respect for others, personal responsibility and integrity.

<u>Purpose</u>

To identify bullying behaviours;

To communicate the student grievance procedure to all members of the College community;

To enable staff to respond to any incident of bullying and to process student grievances.

POLICIES FOR STUDENT DISCIPLINE

Student Responsibility

Rationale

The Student Responsibility Policy and Procedures documents the Pastoral Care provided at Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College. The College is committed to the principles of acknowledging God's presence in the world and therefore demonstrating respect for others, personal responsibility and integrity, and a commitment to use one's talents for the good of the whole community. It is expected that both staff and students model the values of mercy and justice in their interactions at school.

<u>Purpose</u>

To document the application of discipline in the context of the wider Pastoral Care of students. It is essential that staff are seen to be fair and consistent in the use of the Student Responsibility Policy and Procedures so that students are encouraged to practice self-discipline.

Substance Abuse

<u>Rationale</u>

It is the policy of Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College that drugs, other than those medically prescribed, are not to be used by or be in the possession of students on the College grounds or at College functions.

It is the duty of all members of the College staff to treat the use of drugs as a serious problem and neither by word nor by action, ignore or make light of violations of the College Policy.

It is also the duty of all members of the College staff to encourage the upholding of the law and the Policy of the College.

Students have access to educational information on the dangers of drug abuse through the Personal Development, Health and Physical Education syllabus and through the Pastoral Care programs. A policy on Substance Abuse makes clear to students that such abuse is not acceptable and should assist them to develop the understanding that a healthy lifestyle requires freedom of choice and an understanding of consequences.

<u>Purpose</u>

To clarify the actions taken if a student is reasonably believed to be abusing substances such as alcohol, medically prescribed drugs, non medically prescribed or illegal drugs, or to have such drugs in their possession whilst at school or at a College function.

To clarify appropriate sources of assistance either within or connected to the College.

To clearly state the procedures which will be followed if a reasonable belief regarding student drug abuse exists.

Changes to Policies for Student Welfare, Anti-Bullying, and Student Discipline

POLICY	CHANGES IN 2022	ACCESS TO FULL TEXT
Attendance Policy	Reviewed and no changes required	Available publicly on the College website and for parents and students via the College intranet.
Child Protection	Reviewed and no changes required.	Available publicly on the College website and for parents and students via the College intranet.
		The current policy was issued to all employees at the annual Child Protection presentation at the January 2022 Conference, with compulsory attendance for all staff.
		Follow up sessions were undertaken throughout the year as new staff commenced.
Harassment and Anti-Bullying Policy	Reviewed and none required.	Parents and students have access to this policy via the College intranet. Staff have access to this policy on the internal network.
Student Responsibility Policy	Reviewed and changes made as follows: A. PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES 2. Respecting their learning environment • 2.2 and 2.3 4. The College Uniform • 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 8. Working and Learning free from sexual harassment for all staff and students B. EXPECTATIONS 1. Students act with repect, dignity and justice • 1.1 3. College Planner • 3.2 and 3.3 4. College Uniform • 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 5. Students care for and respect of College • 5.1, 5.1.1, 5.1.2, 5.1.3 and 5.1.4 6. Respect of students privacy and personal possessions • 6.1, 6.1.1, 6.1.2, 6.1.3 and 6.1.4 7. Sexual Harrassment involved students over age of 16 is unlawful • 7.1 and 7.2 8. Working and Learning free from sexual harassment for all staff and students • 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3	Parents and students have access to this policy via the College intranet. Staff have access to this policy on the internal network.

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Policy for Dealing with Concerns and Complaints (Information for Parents and Community)

The following policy and procedures have been developed by the College Executive to assist parents in communicating with the College. We have updated and consolidated this information:

- 1. In recognition of the increased availability of multi-mode and immediate communications sources, especially mobile phones and email.
- 2. In recognition of social practices assuming more immediate communications and responses.
- 3. To assist parents in readily locating the most appropriate person in the College to contact relating to matters affecting their daughter's schooling.

Purpose

To provide information about the principles and procedures pertaining to the making of and response to concerns and complaints from parties outside the College.

This Policy is established as a set of procedures and guidelines for concerns and complaints within the context of Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College parents, students, the College Community (including Board or other formal committee) or the public.

<u>Communications Structure</u>: *Summary Information for Parents and Students*

		ISSUE	FIRST DIRECTED TO	NEXT LEVEL	FURTHER
1.	 General complaint or concern regarding a specific staff member or student wellbeing 				
	0	In class issues/behaviour	Subject Teacher	HOD	DP Curriculum
	0	Homework	Subject Teacher	HOD	DP Curriculum
	0	Student Marks	Subject Teacher	HOD	DP Curriculum
	0	Treatment of Student	Subject Teacher	HOD	DP Curriculum
	0	Issues between students	Tutor	HOY	DP Pastoral Care
	0	Welfare/well-being	Tutor	HOY	DP Pastoral Care
	0	Locker/Possessions	Tutor	HOY	DP Pastoral Care
2.	Academic	Matters			
	0	Curriculum/Subjects/Classes	HOD	DP Curriculum	Principal
	0	IB MYP Programme	Director Middle School		
	0	IB DP Programme	Director Senior School		
3.	Pastoral M	atters			
	0	Student behaviour – playground/absences	HOY	DP Pastoral Care	Principal
	0	Student Responsibility policy	HOY		
	0	Whole Year activities – camps/dances/performances	HOY		
4.	Co-Curricu	lar Programs			
	0	Sport – general	Sports Program Mgr	DP Pastoral Care	Principal
	0	Sport – specific (netball, swimming, etc)	Sport Coordinator		
	0	Music	Leader Instrumental Music		
	0	Duke of Ed/Debating	Coordinator		
5.	College Or	ganisation and Management			
	0	College fees	Director Finance & Resources	Principal	
	0	Invoices	Finance Manager	Director Finance & Resources	
	0	Privacy	Principal		
	0	Transfer and travel	College Reception	DP Administration	

SCHOOL-DETERMINED PRIORITY AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

Priorities and Achievem	ents for 2022	
Area	Priorities	Achievements
Living Our Catholic and Mercy Identity	Generate an invigorating Religious Education program that meets the academic, affective and spiritual needs of the students and fosters their critical and authentic participation in the contemporary culture	Year 7 worked on a Religious Education Unit on Catherine McAuley, Mercy values embedded in student activities and engagement, Year 11 and Year 12 retreats as well as a thoughtful liturgical calendar with a focus on the Mercy value of Service. College staff completed the Mercy 6 Formation Program and the staff Induction Program focused on the mission of the College and life of Catherine McAuley. Staff also participated in a retreat to further develop their understanding of our Catholic and Mercy identity.
	Prioritise the development of culture of wellbeing that ensures a sense of belonging and inclusivity is experienced by all.	We are committed to a culture of dignity that nurtures and values the worth of everyone. To support our work Hugh MacKay, author of the Kindness Revolution, addressed the Staff Conference. Students and staff supported Project Timor through Pedal4Protein. Food prepared and distributed at the Alfresco Kitchen, donation to Mahboba's Promise and provision of sanitary products for girls in Timor-Leste. Continuation of funding for Aminata Maternal Foundation, Turtle Rehabilitation and Cana Community Backpack Program.
	Implement Laudato Si to rebuild a more dignified and sustainable College and world.	Further education towards ecological citizenship was supported by class visits by an indigenous educator to add an Indigenous perspective to content being taught. Students and staff involved in the Bush Regeneration Program, Indigenous Elders Advisory Meeting and Mercy 6 Eco Justice Retreat.
Area	Priorities	Achievements
Leading Contemporary Learning	Designing deep learning which prioritises conceptual understanding and the development of transferable critical capabilities	There was on-going attention on the explicit teaching of IB MYP "Approaches to Learning" and Statements of Inquiry to give shape to units. Critical Thinking Learning Progressions were utilised by a number of departments to deepen learning units/lesson sequences, after whole staff learning regarding the use of the Learning Progression as a program design tool, as well as a tool for allowing students to self-assess their growth as critical thinkers.

	All students in Years 7-10 undertook brand- new interdisciplinary units, encouraging critical thinking across and between subjects to solve real-world problems.
Enabling greater student agency in their approaches to learning	There has been a focus on Personal Learning Goals for students in Years 7-10, driven by the Director Academic Engagement. This included the building of staff capacity to understand the Personal Learning Goals framework and how to model goal setting, mentor students and monitor progress. A greater number of opportunities for students to exercise choice in learning/assessment have been developed, within and beyond the curriculum. Improving feedback to students on assessment, and its use, has been a focus.
Igniting a passion for knowledge by maximizing opportunities for learning in local and global contexts	Programs continue to draw out service learning where it is possible. e.g. Looking into world hunger and how we can use our environments to sustainably feed the world, Year 9 Geography were part of #PedalforProtein to raise funds for our neighbours in Timor-Leste.
Innovating pedagogical practices incorporating current evidence about learning and learning growth	Continued work on Deep Learning in particular the Learning Design Rubric, especially important to Departments as they set out on developing new units and reviewing others. The micro-analysis of Teaching Strategies, critical thinking routines, Mindfulness in the Classroom and the adaptation of pedagogy to Learning Spaces were some areas of staff collaboration. There was considerable engagement in professional learning related to Curriculum Review and also areas related to supporting students with diverse learning needs. Teachers had new additional opportunities to engage with the underpinnings of IB Theory of Knowledge to more readily incorporate 'TOK thinking' in their courses.

Area	Priorities	Achievements
Enriching the Student Experience for Personal Growth	Develop and evaluate social and emotional frameworks for a contemporary response to young women's development.	Guest speaker from - WISA: Wellbeing in Schools Australia provided professional development to all College staff on the importance of student and staff wellbeing. All sessions are part of the College's Self GROWTH Program where staff learn about Social Emotional tools to best support students. A group of staff developed further professional development in the area of wellbeing to better equip tutors with tools they could use with students.

	Developing student personal growth through a better understanding of self.	A co-educational event held with a local boys school. This work is informed by research undertaken on consent and a mutual understanding of appropriate ways consent can be offered.
	Broadening student experience through holistic and diverse opportunities to establish leadership capabilities.	Establish connections with other Mercy Schools across NSW and working with the Sports Department to initiate exchange program with regional schools.
	Empowering women to be agents of their own learning about self through holistic and diverse opportunities.	Research by Higher Education and Careers Advisor to explore possibilities and opportunities within the Middle School. This would connect with GROWTH framework in transition. Resources offered and further exploration is required.
Area	Priorities	Achievements
Valuing People and Culture	Refine onboarding process to foster a deeper understanding of Monte.	Comprehensive induction offered to all new staff which includes job and value based induction. All new staff meet with Director Staff Services at end of Term 1 to provide feedback on their experience to date and to enable continuous improvement of induction and onboarding. Induction process includes sessions held on two consecutive Wednesdays of each term. IT set up and induction offered to new staff prior to commencement day.
	Implement professional learning opportunites to develop staff practice in Learning Design and Differentation.	Science, PDHPE, HSIE working on units in collaboration with the AIS – Designing for Deep Learning. Conference workshops embedding ATL's in Learning Units. Workshops also focusing on "The Teenage Brain" and ADHD in the classroom".
	Develop of process and opportunities for teachers to share their teaching practice and to build collective efficacy through collaborative professionalism and reflection.	College supporting reflective practice for teachers including purchase of Swivl cams and training on the use of this technology to analyse teaching effectiveness. Educator Impact process continues to be used.
	Identifying emerging and aspiring leaders and fostering growth and development for all leaders.	Working with AIS to provide access to leadership development for all career stages at Monte. Adaptive Leadership sessions also being run with College Executive and Middle Leaders to develop their own individual leadership goals and objectives.
Area	Priorities	Achievements
Connecting Community	Expansion and further development of the Industry Partnerships Programs	The following programs were officially launched in 2022: 1. Inspiring STEM+ 2.0 (with Laing O'Rourke)
		Future Leaders in Property (with Dexus)

3. Scientia Project (with Richard Crookes Constructions)

The following programs were launched in 2022:

- 1. Entrepreneur Accelerator
- 2. Entrepreneur Flagship Program (Cohort 2)

Highlights include:

- Over 170 students involved across all 5 programs
- 3 student startup businesses from Cohort 1 of the Entrepreneur Program continued on through the Accelerator Program
- 10 startup teams were formed in Cohort 2 of the Entrepreneur Flagship Program

Area	Priorities	Achievements
Delivering a Sustainable Learning Environment	Complete construction of new Science, Sports Science and Sports building as core component of Campus development and Masterplan.	90% complete and fit out / exterrnal works underway. Budget and contingencies remain within parameters.
	Integrate Scientia building, Treanor Hospitality Hub into College practices and schedules.	Design complete and fitout commenced. Operation plans for 2023 integration commenced. Staff information session held for profile and opportunities.
	Enhance automation processes and utilise additional capabilities of Finance system particularly in HR and Payables areas.	Commenced implementation and testing phase for invoicing and payables automation systems. System paperless with staff time saving and increased accuracy. Documentation ready for 2023 full release and use.

INITIATIVES PROMOTING RESPECT AND RESPONSIBILITY

Initiatives undertaken at the College in 2022 were:

Values in Action

- Design of the College Planner cover for the focus value *Justice*.
- College branding for email communication, College signage, website, newsletters and banners highlighted the value of *Justice*.
- Respect for the value of cultural diversity with the engagement of indigenous presenters to work with students on dance, drama and art.
- The College value of Justice was promoted in curriculum programs and College activities.
- Project Timor year group initiatives encourage whole school engagement in fundraising and awareness through the Project Timor Lenten Campaign. *Pedal4Protein* Timor fundraising CAS Projects afford the opportunity for students to express their understanding of Mercy Values.
- Student Leadership Groups (Middle and Senior School) organise initiatives to inspire and build spirit within the College community. These initiatives relate to the Mercy Value focus in any year 2022 Justice.
- Collaboration between the Monte community and the Indigenous community promoted respect and cultural understanding.
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander strategic guidelines moved onto the next stages of implementation with succession planning for carrying on the story and connection with community members.
- NAIDOC Assembly held with the theme Get Up! Stand Up! Show Up!
- NAIDOC Week activities included an English lesson viewing the video Uluru Statement from the Heart and then completing a reflection activity for students and staff; sessions run by our Indigenous Elders discussing the NAIDOC theme and how we can care and connect with Country and First Nations Peoples through sharing the story of the Biamunga Journey to the Mountain.
- In 2022 the annual Maruku Marketplace was held to showcase artists from the Central Desert who displayed and sold their artwork. The Opening of Maruku Marketplace was celebrated in conjuction with the Biamunga Yarn-Up, with guest speaker Kaurareg Aboriginal and Kalkalgal, Erubamle Torres Strait Islander man, Thomas Mayor.
- We celebrated the NAIDOC theme by performing a musical item called 'Deep Water, Bright Trees' a beautifully commissioned work, composed by Yuwaalaraay yinarr Nardi Simipson and composer in residence, Damian Barbeler.
- A prayer relating to *Justice* honoured mothers, fathers and grandparents.
- Year 7 Stewardship RE unit included engagement with Laudato Si.
- Further development of the Creativity, Activity, Service Program for all students in Years 11-12.
- Development of the Service Learning Program for Years 7-12.
- Blue Ribbon appeal was held within the College engaging all students.
- Mercy Day Liturgy explored the theme of *Justice* with a program of speakers to engage staff and students.
- Reflections in Chapel / RE Lessons / CAS programs focused on the value of Justice.

Advocacy

- Mercy Action Group initiatives
 - Advocacy for Fair Trade Café operates twice weekly selling Fair Trade tea, coffee and hot chocolate.
 - Environmental advocacy is the focus of the MEGA (Monte Environmental Group Action), Native Bee Projects, Improving Recycling at Monte, Year 7 Stewardship RE unit included engagement with Laudato Si.
 - Years 11/12 Design & Technology HSC and IB students focus on circular economy and environmental issues.
 - o College raised funds to support the *Mercy Scholarships Pedal4Protein* initiative.

- College Principal and staff continue to develop relationships with staff and students of school in Maliana.
- Staff support the work of CANA Community by purchasing food boxes each month as well as producing backpacks for women leaving prison. The Mercy Mission and Heritage Centre allowing visits of all staff; Year 7 students and the Senior and Middle School Leaders.

Fundraising Support

- The College community continued to raise funds for the College programs in Maliana, Timor-Leste.
- Blue Ribbon Appeal for the provision of Bursaries was launched and funds raised.

National Pride

- The National Anthem is sung at each College assembly and the Acknowledgement of Country begins all
 celebrations.
- Anzac Day is marked with individual classroom presentations and small group gatherings.
- There is a daily flag raising.
- Regular participation in College events by a indigenous advisor to the College, Aunty Julie Smith, a Kalkadoon woman.

Service to the Community

- A whole-school Community Service Program for Years 7-12; students are engaged in service in their homes and to their local community.
- Stewardship of the environment by supporting the College herb garden. This connected with the Caring for Creation unit in the Religious Education curriculum.
- Timor-Leste Immersion education program.
- Central Desert service opportunities program.
- Mercy Kitchen was further established where students and staff of the College gave their time to create meals to be given to students and their families in our community in need.

Pastoral Care

- Students were engaged with the Gospel and shared the Eucharist at both College and year level liturgies when possible.
- The Self GROWTH program has been designed by staff to have six key focus areas for students. These key pillars are structured from Years 7-12 so that all activities in pastoral sessions and in the classroom can be mapped to these six key focus areas.
- Organisation of Positive Psychology and mindfulness in year meetings.
- Pastoral Care camps, e.g. Year 7 and 8 three-day camps: themes for each camp were focused on students developing respect for themselves as well as others and their transition into high school.
- Tutors zoom called all families to make connections at the start of the year.
- Active Student Representative Council groups in Middle and Senior School; committees within these Student Representative Council bodies, e.g. "Monte Environmental Group for Action (MEGA)".
- Student leadership training and induction for Year 11 which focuses on Leadership Through a Mercy Lens and how this can be lived through action.
- Leadership Training days for Year 11 which included guest speakers and Alumni Mia Fine with a theme of "From Little Things, Big Things Grow".
- Connection to local Police via the Youth Liaison Officer and School Liaison Police Officer.
- College undertaking of the ACER Social and Emotional Wellbeing Survey.
- Elevate Education Program for Years 8, 11 and 12, focusing on study skills.
- Prue Salter discussed ways to reduce anxiety in Year 10.

Pastoral Specific

- Year 7 Just Me for Justice
 - Empowerment of Girls positive role models in a global context.
 - Year 7 Personal Learning Conversations setting and working towards personal bests in academic studies.
 - Year 7 Monte Mercy Amazing Adventure connection to Mercy Foundation "Past and Present" (onsite).
 - o Organisation and Time Management pastoral sessions and small group program.
 - Year 10 Mindful Practices held with Year 7 in Form Meetings.
 - o Grandparents' Day celebration.
 - Personal Learning Goals and friendship building activities.
 - Human Connections "Transition to Year 7" workshop.
 - Service-Learning pastoral.
 - House Captains lead activities during lunchtime and weekly morning tutor group with Year 7 cohort.

• Year 8 – Share the Peace in Our Hearts

- Personal Learning Goals, SMART goals used throughout Year 8.
- o Friendship and Resilience Seminar with counsellors fostering healthy relationships.
- o Reflection Day with guest artist.
- o Cyber Safety Police Liaison Officer.
- o SRC Gratitude Initiative meditation sessions, time/stress management.
- o Bindarray.Ga deep listening with an Indigenous Elder.
- o Connections were built through Year 7 'buddy system' and with Year 8 and Year 11 through regular events and meetings to offer support.
- o Mother's Day celebration where students reflected on family, values and respect.

• Year 9 – Striking a Balance

- Year 9 Wellbeing day with guest speakers focused on girl's self-esteem and body image.
- o Sense of Self Worth workshop facilitated by the College Counsellor.
- o Police Liaison Officer Cyber Bullying.
- o Butterfly Foundation topic: Positive Body Image.
- o Service Learning with staff on Mercy Leadership.
- Study Skills with Prue Salter.
- o Father's Day Liturgy.
- Afternoon activities with a local boys school.

• Year 10 - Ignite Your Light

- Mindfulness Chapel program with staff members.
- Year 10 Wellbeing and Reflection Day
- Year 10 Welcome to Senior School
- Spirit Mass
- o Community Service Program
- Year 7 and 10 games collaboration
- Student Skills with Prue Salter
- o Modified Careers Program included in the STEP UP Program.
- Pastoral Journals linked to ATL's
- Police Liaison Officer Alcohol and Drugs
- Cyber Safety healthy online relationships, presentation by North Sydney Police Youth Liaison Officer.

- Service of the Spirit pastoral activities on kindness and gratitude
- Career testing and subject selection interviews
- RYDA road safety program
- Year 11 Building Bridges: We can't build bridges without support
 - o Mindfulness program
 - o Presentation on Service Leadership for all students
 - o Senior School Leadership process connected with House Plays 2022
 - Tutor conversations for tracking with CAS
 - Reflection Day
 - Peer tutoring
 - o Years 8 and 11 Pastoral Sessions
 - o Elevate Study Skills Time Management, Exam preparation
 - Feedback from Year 11 students and Pastoral team regarding sessions/activities run such as a Time Management session, Healthy Mind Platter activities (yoga, meditation),
 - o Indigenous meditation and storytelling
- Year 12 Through acts of kindness we break the barriers to Justice
 - o NAIDOC Week, Biamunga
 - o Guest speaker presentation reminder on the importance of setting goals
 - o Creativity, Activity and Service Programs/HECS program
 - o Fortnightly GROWTH period looking at goals
 - o Father Daughter Trivia Night and Mother Daughter Lunch
 - o Ignatian Children's Holiday speakers on application process
 - Project Timor and other school initiatives
 - o Presentation Mercy women beyond school
 - o Prue Salter Program
 - o Mindfulness session/guest speakers/meditation/yoga session
 - o Career evenings and Open Days
 - Year 12 Wellbeing and Reflection Day to celebrate their years at the College, companionship and friendship
 - o Wellness activities offered in Pastoral Periods and on Year 12 Retreat
 - o After school Year 12 yoga program every Wednesday

Service to the Community

- A whole-school Community Service Program for Years 7-12
- A collection of toiletries and personal care packs for the St Vincent de Paul Society.
- Mercy Kitchen was further established where students and staff of the College gave their time to create meals to be given to students and families in our community in need.
- Stewardship of the environment by supporting the College herb garden. This connected with the Caring for Creation unit in the Religious Education curriculum.
- Timor-Leste Immersion education program.
- Central Desert service opportunities program.

Community Events

- Year 7 Welcome Dinner and Mass.
- Blue Ribbon Appeal ribbons are sold to help support our Bursary Program
- College Community events included Year 12 Mother Daughter High Tea, Father Daughter Dinner Dance, Graduation Dinner, Graduation Mass and Graduation Ceremony.
- The success of the co-curricular program including College activities such as debating and musical performances.

PARENT, STUDENT AND TEACHER SATISFACTION

Each year the College conducts exit surveys of our students, parents and staff who leave the College across a range of key performance satisfaction areas including academic and pastoral outcomes.

The results of the exit survey data indicated a very high level of satisfaction from students and their parents.

On an ongoing basis, the College also regularly canvasses the opinion of its stakeholders through Parents & Friends Association meetings, Alumni meetings, staff surveys and parent feedback by either personal contact, letter or email.

Students are represented by the Student Representative Council where they have the opportunity to present feedback to senior members of the College Executive.

SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION



