



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### BOSTES AUDIT

On Wednesday 26 October the College was inspected by a representative from BOSTES. An inspection by BOSTES is random with typically only one Catholic school in the Sydney Archdiocese selected each year. BOSTES is the highest authority that inspects schools to ensure that they are compliant in relation to mandated policies and procedures – in essence the inspection confirms that the school is able to operate as a secondary school. The great news for Marist Catholic College Penshurst is not only that the College is compliant as expected, moreover, the verbal report from the representative was very complimentary and indicated they were highly impressed with the manner in which the College is fulfilling its obligations and beyond.

The BOSTES representative's inspection included an hour conversation with the leadership team and SCS staff to gain an understanding of the context of the school, the System's support and procedures for Compliance and the school's processes for ensuring compliance and implementation of policy. The representative then spent a few hours perusing the documentation which also included a live demonstration of the enrolment register and the use of "sentral" to track and document attendance and pastoral and academic data. This inspection was very thorough in checking that policy and procedure was evident in everyday processes in both the curriculum and safe and supportive environment.

The representative made comment on the following areas:

- It was clear that the school showed a strong commitment to the care and concern for its students through its pastoral care.
- There was evidence of a partnership with the parents and students in education and well-being.
- The evidence was very comprehensive, showed accuracy in detail, proficiency and professionalism.
- There was clear adherence in the evidence to policy and procedure and it was all of a high standard.

In relation to the specific Key Learning Areas inspected the representative commented:

- They were very impressed with the standard evident for the teaching and preparation of students for the HSC in Studies of Religion and commended the REC and the school RE team for the exemplary work.
- They had high praise for the Science team in the clear line of implementation from Syllabus to scope and sequence, to program, assessment, register and evaluation.
- They particularly complimented the student feedback and evaluation documentation.

The College has in place a culture of sustainable improvement and will continue to expect high standards in all aspects of College life. This inspection not only reaffirmed the work of our highly competent and professional team of staff, it also acknowledged the great community we have at Marist Catholic College Penshurst. Our College is a community where staff, students and their families work together in partnership to ensure the very best outcomes for all. Congratulations to all in our community who continually work to make our Catholic school a great place to be a part of.

**Mr Ray Martin - College Principal**

### CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2016

- Next week each Pastoral Care class in Years 7-11 will have a particular family that we are asking you to bring in Christmas presents for. These gifts will go to people in the St. George area who are struggling financially and emotionally.
- The gift doesn't have to be expensive or big, it just needs to be thoughtful and something that YOU would like to be given.
- More information to follow next week, could you please start thinking about possible gifts.

THANK YOU for your support!

### IMPORTANT DATES

Mon 14 Nov	Year 7, 2017 Parent Evening
Wed 16 Nov	P & F Meeting 6.15pm LaValla
Mon 21 Nov	Staff Spirituality Day - No Students to attend school
Wed 23 Nov	Year 7 Vaccinations - 3rd Visit
Mon 12 Dec	Advent Liturgy/Awards Assembly Whole School to attend 11:30am Year 10 Reports Distributed
Tues 13 Dec	Year 7-9 Picnic Day Year 7-9 Reports Distributed

### COME AND JOIN PEAK YOUTH

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Peakhurst - Every 2nd Friday

Years 7-8: 6-8pm / Years 9-10: 7.30-9.30pm - A night filled with activities & a light supper for \$5 each

Next date 4th November

For further information contact Youth Leader: [joshua.taylor3496@hotmail.com](mailto:joshua.taylor3496@hotmail.com)

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## YEAR 11 AWARDS ASSEMBLY

1ST PLACE	SUBJECT
Nicholas Bozic	VET Construction
Alejandro Cendon Jordan	Biology
Cooper Cheney	Mathematics General
Cooper Cheney	Industrial Technology Wood
Kosmas Chronakis	English Standard
Thomas Colonnelli	Legal Studies
James Fitzgerald	Ancient History
Benjamin Graham	English Advanced
Benjamin Graham	Design & Technology
Deion Gunawan	Music
Christopher Gwynne	Fundamentals of English
Christopher Gwynne	Senior Science
Christopher Gwynne	Information Processes & Technology
Thomas Hui	Studies of Religion 2 Unit
Thomas Hui	Business Studies
Thomas Hui	PDHPE
Daniel Krivacic	Visual Arts
Ryan Lupevski	Mathematics Extension
Anthony Manglis	Studies of Religion 1 Unit
Alexander Michaelis	English Extension 1
Milton Stathakis	Physics
Milton Stathakis	Modern History
Blake Tomlinson	English Studies
Ross Tzaneros	Business Services
Jonathan Welly	Chemistry
Riley Williamson	Economics
Kanui Wilson	Catholic Studies

## 2016 AWARDS

### HIGH ACHIEVERS AWARD

Thomas Hui



Milton Stathakis



1st Place Award Winners

## ASPIRATIONAL AWARDS



Alexander Michaelis, Christopher Gwynne, Marco Grasso, Benjamin Graham, Cooper Cheney, Thomas Hui

## SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

Kudsaishe Manzando



## MARIST PENSURST AWARD

Liam Delle Coste-Smith



## YEAR 11 VET BUSINESS SERVICES

In Terms 3 and 4, Year 11 VET Business Services students attended work placement as part of their course. The students went to a variety of workplaces, ranging from law firms to education facilities to real estate agencies. Although there were some nerves and apprehension, the students gained invaluable experience in a real office environment, putting the theory they had learned in the classroom into practice. Some students even gained school holiday employment. Congratulations to all students for completing their first work placement.

**Mrs Peggy Chandler - VET Business Services teacher**

Work Placement overall was the best experience in my schooling life. Not only did I meet some of the nicest people but the experience was life changing. I was lucky enough to go to a law firm in the city. Other students were placed in security consultation firms, real estate agencies and various company administrative roles. While on work placement I was given the opportunity to attend a court case, complete various administrative tasks and involve myself in the daily running of the office. The week has opened my eyes to the ranges of opportunities available after school and was even offered a job for the holidays. Overall I hope that everybody that attends Marist Catholic College Penshurst gets to experience work placement.

**Blake Tomlinson, Year 11 Work placement - Adams & Co**

I arrived at Camp America on Monday at 8.30am, even though I wasn't supposed to start until 9am. I sat outside waiting for the time to pass and every minute took longer. I glanced down at my phone at 8.55am and I started heading towards the building nervously. When I entered the building, I was shocked to see so many colours and different types of activities on display. There were computers, beanbags, couches and music playing. I was directed to the supervisor named Wendi. She introduced me to the staff and explained to them that I would be here for the week. I was assigned a few tasks through the week including, filing, data entry and research tasks. All the staff were really friendly towards me. I really enjoyed my week there and I settled in very quickly.

**Peter Kapatos, Year 11 Work placement - American Institute for Foreign Study**

## SCC SPORT

### SOFTBALL

#### Round 1 - M CCP 11 def Bethany 7

A great start to the season with the team shrugging off some nerves and really giving their best in a terrific opening game. The girls showed a lot of determination in the field with some excellent fielding, which kept Bethany College's runs down. The team batted with such confidence with most of the team batting a run in and thanks to some great stealing we scored 11 runs in our opening game! Congratulations to the whole team but special mention to Lara Savet-Buck who was voted player's player for round 1!



#### Round 2 - M CCP 21 def Casmir 6

Wow! What a performance from our team who scored the maximum of seven runs in each of our three innings. Both Chiara and Lara scored home runs which added to the excitement of a very enjoyable game. The girls also showed improvement in the field with some strong pitching from both Erica and Stephanie and some great fielding and catches by numerous players. We are currently equal first but sitting in second place by one run after differences. Congratulations to Chiara Mascolo who was voted player's player for round 2.

#### Round 3 - M CCP 14 def All Saints 0

Another great performance by the team with a real improvement in the field. The girls have been batting really well and this continued however the improvement in the field was the real stand-out with the opposition unable to score a run. Special mention to Stephanie Midis who made a triple play (3 outs in the one play!!) and for this Stephanie was voted player's player for round 3.

#### Round 4 - M CCP 14 def Lakemba 10

This round saw a top of the table clash with two undefeated teams going head to head. I am so proud of the efforts made by the whole team especially their continued encouragement for each other. A very tight and competitive game with both teams batting well, but through some excellent pitching and fielding we emerged victorious. Congratulations to Jaz McQuillan who was voted player's player for round 4 with some excellent batting in both innings.

**Mr Jon Cullerton - Coach**

### TOUCH FOOTBALL

#### Round 3: M CCP 7 def Mary MacKillop 1

#### Round 4: M CCP 1 lost to MSJ 12

Tries awarded in rounds 3 and 4: Laura (2), Selena (2), Alicia (2), Olivia (1), Melissa (1)

Two very different games in rounds 3 and 4, with seemingly a different squad playing each week! We were extremely confident against Mary MacKillop, going from strength to strength in the match. We made great gains in offence, moved the ball well and always had one or two teammates anticipating the next move. Unfortunately the game against MSJ was not our best to date. The team was flat, and not communicating well with each other in the first half, leading to big gaps in our line for the opposition to repeatedly find the try-line. However, there was a marked improvement in the second half, with a much tighter defensive line, but unfortunately we struggled to score. Nevertheless, the girls are learning more each week, and I am confident that we can shake off this loss, and come back stronger in the next round.

**Ms Rachel Thompson - Coach**

## FROM THE COLLEGE COUNSELLOR

### 'FINDING YOUR WAY THROUGH THE FOG: NAVIGATING DEPRESSION'

This workshop explores positive strategies to help people with depression.

Organised by Kogarah Community Services.

Wednesday 9 November, 10am-1pm

Kogarah Community Hub, 49 English Street Kogarah

More information or to book: Phone 9587 6622 or

email [info@kogarahcommunity.org.au](mailto:info@kogarahcommunity.org.au)

## YEAR 12 UNIFORMS

Any students wishing to donate their blazer to the College please drop them into Students Services via reception.

We ask that any blazers donated be clean and in good repair. Thank you.