

Mount Lilydale Mercy College

NEWSLETTER



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A NEW TERM - A NEW BEGINNING



The beginning of a new term is a great opportunity to leave the past behind and to start afresh. Whatever our role; parent, student, teacher or member of our community, there is much wisdom for us in the simple words of Blessed Mother Teresa

Taken from a wall hanging in Mother Teresa's Convent in Calcutta

*A little more praising, a little less jeering,
A little more trusting, a little less fearing,
A little more patience in trouble and pain,
A little less willing at times to complain,
A little more kindness worked into strife
Are all that is needed to glorify life.
A little more honour, a little less greed,
A little more service; a little less creed,
A little more courage when pathways are rough,
A little more action, a little less bluff,
A little more kindness by you and by me,
And oh; what a wonderful world this would be!*

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OF THIS LAND WE PAY RESPECT TO THE ELDERS BOTH PAST AND PRESENT OF THE
KULIN NATION AND EXTEND THAT RESPECT TO OTHER INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear members of the Mount Lilydale Mercy College community

Welcome Back! I hope this newsletter finds you all well and as rested as possible after the end of semester break and the holiday period. I trust that some parents were able to enjoy the holidays with their children and not all had to work. Hopefully all students will return rested and positively forward looking for the academic and social rigors of Semester 2.

As the College Office was closed during Week 2 of the holidays, I too stayed at home to rest and the cold winter days often saw me inside by the fire resting and reading. As a parent I too often need to reflect on the type of role modelling that I provide for my own four children and a simple article entitled 'The Power of Words' (non sourced) provided me with some reflection.

The article actually focused on the power of loving words and made some wonderful points:

- Children (and young adults) need to hear that they are valued by those that they love and are loved by.
- Your words will stay with your children for their whole lives.
- Your words will determine the type of adults and parents that they will be.
- Children who know that they are loved are free to take risks and therefore fail and therefore learn.

Some simple steps to improve a child's self-image included:

- Celebrate the uniqueness of each child with their different talents, tastes, interests and abilities.
- Ensure that each child has a positive self-esteem. This will give confidence and hope for the future and allow them to give anything a go. They will not fear failure.
- They need to know that they are loved. The question becomes how do we do this? Simply by telling them often, hugging them and sharing their stories with them. By enjoying what is important to them. By giving them time.
- They need and want respect. Ensure that they earn such respect by their contribution to family life.
- They need parents and not adult friends. Make your standards and values clear to them by both words and deeds. Explain the reasons why you might not be happy with a behaviour or an outcome.

As I start a new Semester with my children, all of whom are students aged 16 years to 22 years and all living at home, these are timely reminders. How will I model such things? My 82 year old father will tell me that he still asks such questions as he models being a father to his four children aged 53 to 57. The power of words.

As we do start the new Semester we welcome to our community a number of staff who take up replacements positions within our College:

- Mr David Miles: Teacher of Religious Education and Humanities
- Ms Katherine Farrell: Teacher of Humanities and English
- Mr Daniel James: Teacher of English and Humanities
- Mr Gary Hearnese: Teacher of Science

We also welcome back Ms Sue Gunn and Ms Natasha McKenzie who return to us after Long Service Leave.

Lastly this week we start the Semester 1 Award ceremonies and I look forward to seeing many of you as we celebrate.

God bless



Philip A Morison
Principal

UNIFORM SHOPS | TERM 3 HOURS

BOB STEWART UNIFORM SHOP

Tuesday, 12 July
8.30am to 4.00pm
Then the each Tuesday
12.30pm to 4.00pm
First Saturday of the Month
9.30am to 12.30pm

PARENTS & FRIENDS SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

Every 2nd Week (Week B)
commencing 14 July
12.00pm to 1.30pm

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL STUDIES - MICHAEL JOHNSTON

A reminder that Academic Award ceremonies will be conducted over the next two weeks, dates are listed below. The venue for each of these ceremonies will be Centennial Hall, commencing at 8.50am and lasting for about an hour. Parents have been notified if your child is to be in receipt of an award and they are most welcome to join us for the award ceremonies.

Year 7: Tuesday, 19 July	Year 10: Thursday, 14 July
Year 8: Wednesday, 13 July	Year 11: Tuesday, 12 July
Year 9: Friday, 15 July	Year 12: Monday, 18 July

Michael Johnston
Deputy Principal - Studies

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL MISSION - ELIZABETH KEOGH

2016 WINTER APPEAL

The Winter Appeal, an ongoing effort throughout Term Two, inspired much generosity from staff and students here at Mount Lilydale Mercy College. Rather than raising money, this appeal focusses on collecting donations of food and household items that are in high demand over the winter months.

This year, the items collected were donated to our local St Vincent de Paul Conference and to the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre. Right here in our local area, Vinnies volunteers at parishes such as St Patricks and St Mary's assist struggling individuals and families through pastoral support, food packages and assisting in paying bills.

The Asylum Seeker Resource Centre is a community-led, not-for-profit organisation that is committed to upholding the human rights of all people seeking asylum. They operate foodbanks from various community centres around Melbourne and are the largest provider of aid, legal and health services to people seeking asylum in Australia. Both organisations operate tirelessly in the community and exemplify both the Spiritual and Corporal works of Mercy.

Throughout the term each year level collected specific items such as canned goods, non-perishable foods and toiletries. Year level and individual homeroom efforts contributed to the final amassing of goods which were sorted and boxed up with the help of the Ministry Lounge members and the Yr 11 CSYMA class. Many thanks to all staff, students and members of the community who contributed towards the appeal, your charity has improved the lives of many this winter.

Genevieve Schaefer
Youth Ministry Officer



NEWS FROM THE LOTE DEPARTMENT

HOST FAMILY FOR JAPANESE LANGUAGE ASSISTANT

We are seeking a Mount Lilydale Mercy College family to host a Japanese Language Assistant for 3 weeks in August. For any families interested, please contact Miss Natasha McKenzie at nmckenzie@mlmc.vic.edu.au

YEAR 7 | BRIANNA MOORE

It was a very difficult choice for this second Student of the Term. When I read the list of reasons why Brianna had been chosen, there were four or five students who had participated in the same range of activities. They have all worked diligently in the classroom and have all contributed to their homerooms in a positive manner. The final choice was made after consulting some of the subject teachers. The comments made were "she's an awesome kid". Brianna's homeroom teacher was persistent and insisted that she was absolutely deserving of this award and I have to believe she would have her work cut out keeping him on track.

From the moment Brianna walked into Mount Lilydale Mercy College she has set her mind to making the most of what the school has to offer, as well as contributing as much as she possibly could. Firstly, her academic efforts have been very well rewarded this semester. Secondly, the list of what she has done at the school is enormous, Brianna has: auditioned for the musical, was in the school play, participated in the Homeroom Volleyball challenge and all other challenges, received a proud penguin for her involvement in music, is in the College's Junior Band, learns flute at school, was part of the musical presentation to Year 7's, is part of the Junior A Capella group, participated in Tournament of the Minds, applied for SRC, swam in the Swimming Carnival, participated in the

Athletics Carnival, taken on the Victorian Premiers Reading Challenge, applied for the aspire program, participated in Special Person's Day, and Stepforward leadership program, is Class Vice Captain, and generally helps Mr Kelly with anything and everything that is needed.

As well as being very motivated she is also very friendly, respectful, positive, encouraging, kind and courteous to both staff and students. Congratulation to Brianna Moore, Student of the Term for Year 7.

Ann Collins
Year 7 Level Leader

YEAR 8 | LIAM PRITCHARD

At Year 8 many students have put in their personal best. It has been a very productive time for the Year 8 student body. The student of the term, Liam Pritchard, is a friendly, responsible and valued member of the year level. Liam gets involved in homeroom activities and has been an excellent role model to others.

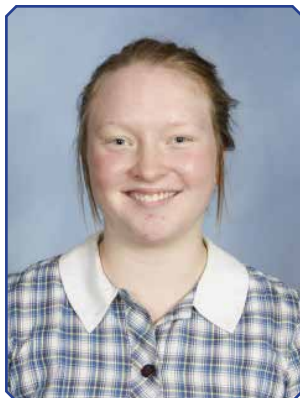
Liam is always leading by example by bringing a happy, well-mannered and respectful disposition to classes. He regularly contributes actively and consistently to lessons and co curricular activities, and this is what makes him a valuable asset to the year level. Liam developed his leadership skills as Class Captain by attending the Zoo Leadership Day, and also delivered a well-spoken presentation to the homeroom about important issues, and how the class can contribute to positive change.

Liam has been involved in debating, participated in both the Australian Humanities and ICAS Science Competitions, helped assist in many Homeroom Challenges like the Mintie Wrapper Team Challenge, and helped decorate the home room by painting the homeroom banner..

A positive person all round, Liam displays terrific qualities such as initiative, he's not afraid of hard work, and is cooperative. It is fitting that Liam Pritchard of 8 Orange received the Term 2 Student of the Term. Well done Liam!



Joanna Egan
Year 8 Level Leader

YEAR 9 | CHARLOTTE CILIA

The purpose of being a student at Mount Lilydale College is to learn, emotionally and spiritually, how to make good choices and decisions, to learn socially how to be kind to others and get along with your fellow classmates and importantly to learn academically in order to set yourself up to be whatever you choose in later life. Charlotte has achieved all of that, but it hasn't been easy for her. Charlotte has had to sit and watch her peers, in year 7 and 8, as they have walked upon this stage collecting bundles of academic and merit awards whilst she has struggled to understand her work. She has never walked upon this stage to collect anything. There will be many of you sitting out there who can relate to that.

So what did she do? Somewhere between Years 7 and 9 she decided to improve and improve she has. All of her teachers praise her dedication, the way that she participates in their classes, the fact that she asks questions when she doesn't understand. In one class her teacher said she scored 70 at the start of the year and 93 in the exam in another the fact that she missed an academic award because of a low score in one task. I am sure that she will walk up to the stage early next term to collect both academic and merit awards. But school life as you know just isn't about schoolwork and Charlotte shines as a role model to others for her helpfulness and caring.

I could have given her an eagle award for leadership on 4 or 5 occasions if she hadn't already received one early in the year for a random act of kindness. A truly special student who makes teaching her a delight for us all, the student of the term for Year 9 is Charlotte Cilia of 9 Silver.

Terry Hill
Year 9 Level Leader

NEWS FROM THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

YEAR 7 SPELLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

This Tuesday the 14th of June, our Year Sevens took part a Spelling Competition to find the spelling champions for 2016. Each class was required to nominate two representatives for this knockout competition. The initial round managed to cut out half of the competition, including words such as aisle, declaration, intelligence and humorous. As the event progressed, the words became more and more difficult, moving through the Herald Sun recommended year level words beyond the expectations of Year Sevens. This included words such as; revolutionary, rhombus, pedestrian, pantomime and coincidence.

It took a total of four rounds to bring the competition down to two teams; Madi Keating and Callum Ludwig from 7 Gold and Jaidyn Askham and Charlotte De Vries from 7 White. I was especially impressed by the enthusiasm and team spirit demonstrated by the homerooms at this point of the competition, cheering on their talented champions and demonstrating good sportsmanship at the conclusion of the event. The final knockout round included the words effervescent and colloquialism for 7 Gold and 7 White respectively, both words from the Year 12 spelling list.

Congratulations to both Madi and Callum from 7 Gold who were victorious on the day, and a special congratulations to all other students who participated.

Candice Farrugia -Roberts
English Prefect

NEWS FROM THE APPLIED LEARNING DEPARTMENT

VCAL STUDENTS HONOURED WITH ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Mount Lilydale Mercy College, Senior VCAL students from 2015, have been honoured with a VCAL Achievement Award for Team Achievement. Last year, the students worked diligently to contribute positively to the Kinglake Memorial Reserve.



When students discovered the run-down state of the memorial garden, commemorating the emergency service workers who helped fight the 2009 Black Saturday fires, they set about developing a plan to help. After forming groups and establishing roles each team wrote a proposal for their part of the project, detailing tools and materials needed. Daniel Lando, Connor Seaye, and Jarrod Thaller assumed responsibility for the garden, Josh Short took on the job of refurbishing the plaque, Alex Hermle and Harrison Goss made the bench seating more comfortable, Hayley Wilson and Sam Reker led the promotion and fundraising campaign, and Kallum Harper and Sean Hebblethwaite, who studied VET Building and Construction, built a shelter over the plaque.

Senior students received the award from Deputy Premier and Minister for Education James Merlino, who is also a past Mount Lilydale Mercy College student. Congratulations to the students involved in this project. Their enthusiasm to do well helped them succeed in making a positive difference in the lives of others.

Steve Tarulli
Applied Learning Coordinator

NEWS FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS

If students are interested in commencing instrumental lessons in Semester 2, please complete the [Instrumental Program Application Form](#) and return it to our office.

For any enquiries, please contact Mrs Sharon Flint on 9739 2217 or email sflint@mlmc.vic.edu.au.

SUSTAINABILITY NEWS

Mount Lilydale Mercy College has recently achieved another step towards its goal of continuously working towards a more sustainable environment with the installation of a new 160,000 litre recycled water tank on the school grounds. This was achievable through the generous support from the Bendigo Bank in Woori Yallock. This water tank will be used for watering the gardens and grounds and will compliment the existing recycled water flushing system to the student toilets.



Important Fact:

During 2006-07, Australians generated almost 48 million tonnes of waste. This figure has been steadily rising by approx. 5.4% per person pa. Of this figure, only 52% was actually recycled.

With this in mind, the College is excited to give a group of students from both Year 7 and Year 8 the opportunity to attend a waste recycling tour at SITA & VISY in July. Students attending are invited to have done some research, study and read up on subjects that will be covered on the day to allow for a further examination of the bigger issues. This allows students to actively get involved and ask those critical questions about future sustainable opportunities for waste recycling. Through continuous knowledge growth in aspects of our environment, it allows individuals to understand where they can make a difference.

Abbey Nicholson
Environment Prefect

SPORT REPORT

YEAR 8 RESULTS 21 JUNE

Sport	Opponent	Result	Winner	Best Player
Boys Football	Aquinas	31-40	MLMC	Mitch Mutsaers
Boys Soccer	Aquinas	6-6	Draw	Jesse Allchin-Botterill
Boys Basketball	Aquinas	62-36	Aquinas	Aaron Campagna
Boys Table Tennis A	Aquinas	5-1	MLMC	Jack Lague
Boys Table Tennis B	Aquinas	1-1	Draw	Matt Perry
Sport	Opponent	Result	Winner	Best Player
Girls Touch Football	Aquinas	3-4	MLMC	Ebony Smark
Girls Hockey	Aquinas	0-1	MLMC	Patricia Aguinaldo & Gabriella Phillips
Girls Basketball	Aquinas	28-18	Aquinas	Teagan Hartigan
Girls Volleyball A	Aquinas	0-3	MLMC	Rhani Oxley
Girls Volleyball B	Aquinas	1-2	MLMC	Maree – Rose Orlando

YEAR 9 RESULTS 23 JUNE

Sport	Opponent	Result	Winner	Best Player
Boys Football	Aquinas	23-54	MLMC	Harry Keeling
Boys Soccer	BYE	NA	NA	NA
Boys Badminton	BYE	NA	NA	NA
Boys Table Tennis A	BYE	NA	NA	NA
Boys Table Tennis B	BYE	NA	NA	NA
Lawn Bowls Blue	BYE	NA	NA	NA
Lawn Bowls Gold	BYE	NA	NA	NA

Sport	Opponent	Result	Winner	Best Player
Girls Football	Billanook	14-8	Billanook	Kayla Tucker
Girls Soccer	Billanook	0-7	MLMC	Mikayla Byrne
Girls Netball A	Billanook	21-35	MLMC	Madelyn O'Donnell
Girls Netball B	Billanook	8-49	MLMC	Jessie Williams
Lawn Bowls Gold	BYE	NA	NA	NA
Lawn Bowls Blue	BYE	NA	NA	NA

EISM REMINDERS!!!

- Please avoid booking medical appointments during Sport time, even if your team has a BYE, teams are still expected to train at these sessions
- Football, soccer and hockey players need long navy socks. These are available from the uniform shop (Open 12.30-4.00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday) for \$10
- Football and hockey players must have mouthguards to play EISM games – this is not optional

CROSS COUNTRY TRAINING

It's getting cold again, which means cross-country season is upon us! Come along to training to get a head start for the House Cross Country carnivals or EISM, or just to improve your general health and fitness with friends! Prizes for milestone kilometres and for the homeroom with the most kms on the board at the end of the season!

Training sessions:

Monday after school 3.30-4.30pm

Wednesday mornings 7.00-8.00am (bring \$1 for breakfast!)

Friday lunchtimes

Meet at the Doyle Centre for all sessions.

VNA NETBALL

Try-outs for the Girls VNA Netball Championships begin this week - there will be three teams:

Year 7/8

Year 9/10

Year 11/12

Please see Miss Esmonde or the Sports office for more details.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Karate

Congratulations to Cassandra Banks who has been selected to represent Australia at the Oceania Karate Championships in New Caledonia in September. Cassandra is one of only 2 athletes from her age group in the country to be selected. Best wishes for the next couple of months training, Cassandra!

Weightlifting

Congratulations to Hailee Stokes, Emily McIntyre and Andrew Macfarlane who spent the last weekend of the school holidays competing at the Junior National Weightlifting Championships in Sydney.


Hailee and Emily picked up bronze medals in their categories and Andy finished 4th in his category. It is a huge achievement to qualify for this team and represent Victoria, so well done to all 3!

Thank you also to Kate Linford, who has given up her time to coach these athletes and travel to Sydney with them.



If you have any other student achievement news, please email dwebb@mlmc.vic.edu.au.

ANYTHING GOES

A stylized illustration of a woman with dark hair, wearing a white sailor-style dress with blue trim and a blue sailor's cap. She is sitting on a large wooden ship's steering wheel. The background is a deep blue with light blue diagonal stripes.

MUSIC AND LYRICS BY COLE PORTER
ORIGINAL BOOK BY PG. WODEHOUSE & GUY BOLTON and BOUWING LINDSAY & HUSSE, CHOISE
NEW BOOK BY TIMOTHY CHOISE & JOHN WEDDMAN
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Appeal for Sr Sarah & Sr Carol

Friday 12 August 2016 | 7.00-11.00pm

**Centennial Hall
Mount Lilydale Mercy College**

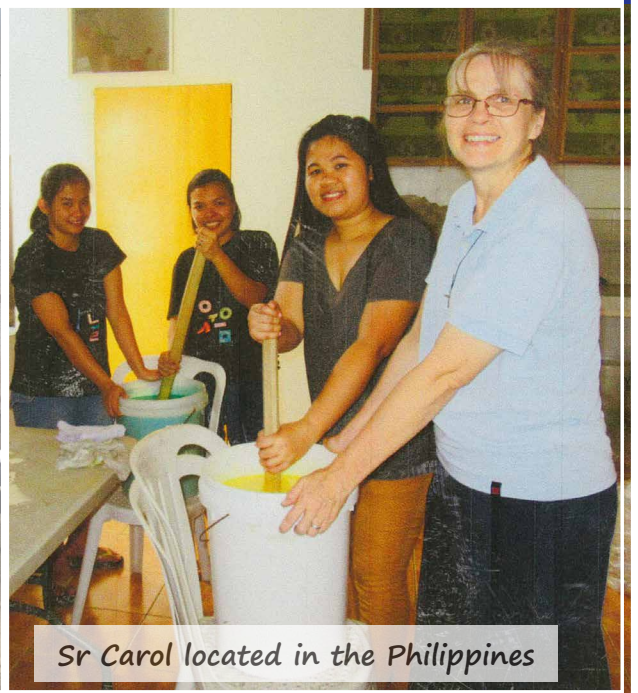
**Performances by Past & Present Students
Auction / Raffles**

**Tickets: Adults \$10 / Students \$5 (Tables of 10)
BYO Supper, Drinks and Glasses**

Enquiries: Mr Gerry Donovan 0409 861 063



Sr Sarah located in Uganda



Sr Carol located in the Philippines

An Invitation

Sunday 14 August 1.00pm – 4.00pm

120
- celebrating -

Years of Education

MOUNT LILYDALE
MERCY COLLEGE



ALL YEARS' REUNION

Mount Lilydale Mercy College
Celebrating 120 years.

Bring your family and friends and catch up!

- ✓ Welcome Ceremony
- ✓ College Tours
- ✓ Sausage Sizzle
- ✓ Afternoon Tea
- ✓ Jumping Castle
- ✓ Photo Exhibition
- ✓ Wine Tasting
- ✓ McAuley Farm Tours

RSVP by 8 August
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