

# Mount Lilydale Mercy College

## NEWSLETTER



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### THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY

In the liturgy on the Solemnity of the Assumption (15 August) the Church addresses God the Father in these words:

Today the virgin Mother of God was taken up into heaven to be the beginning and the pattern of the Church in its perfection, and a sure sign of hope and comfort for your people on their pilgrim way.

While Mary's assumption into heaven was and is a gift of grace for her, it is also a gift of grace for us. After Jesus himself she is the first fruits of the gift of redemption. What God has done for Mary God will also do for us. We too will one day be with the Lord, body and soul in heavenly glory. (taken from *Kairos: Volume 20, Issue 14*)

### FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE PRAYER



*God of faith, deepen our faith  
so we may bear witness to Christ in the world;  
God of hope, strengthen our hope  
so we may be signposts  
to your transforming presence;  
God of love, kindle our love  
so that, in a fragile world  
we may be signs of the faith, hope and love  
which we share in Jesus Christ  
Amen*

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE WURUNDJERI PEOPLE WHO ARE THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS  
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

Dear Members of the Mount Lilydale Mercy College Community

Welcome to the month of August, the last month of Winter and the many processes that are preparing our community for 2017. Over the past month we have seen subject information sessions explaining the format of the curriculum and associated requirements. We have moved to a complete on-line process of re-enrolment and subject selection. We do this through the Parent Portal and like all transitional processes, I am sure that there has been glitches. If you would like to provide feedback to me on any part of the process, please feel free to do so at [principal@mlmc.vic.edu.au](mailto:principal@mlmc.vic.edu.au). Your feedback can only improve the process.

The last few weeks has also seen the performance season of the College Musical "Anything Goes", written in 1934 by Col Porter, it is a musical comedy about romance. The show was performed to our feeder primary schools in a matinee performance and to audiences over four nights, three of which were sold out. These statistics would suggest a successful season, as would the many positive comments that I heard from a large number of audience members. However I do not believe that these are the things that define the success of the show. The success is defined by the genuine community event that our College Musical actually is. From first time Director in Ms Kathleen McMenamin, to the Old Collegians who came back to build sets or choreograph the dancing, the staff that worked endless hours after school and over the holidays, the parents that worked to offer hospitality, this is a genuine community event and when we talk of offering hospitality to each other the College Musical highlights such hospitality. Thank you to our whole community for our College musical.

In the last newsletter I invited feedback on a number of issues and I thank the many parents that have emailed me. I have not responded to each email, but intend compiling the feedback and using it to respond to the recommendations. At that time I will report back to as a community via the newsletter.

Firstly I invited feedback on some issues with the Debutante Ball. I did this in response to some recommendations from the Parents and Friends Association, but in so doing I seem to have caused some students some distress. Some students have approached me seeking an explanation as to why I am cancelling the Debutante Ball. I was even asked if I liked the Deb Ball. Please let me assure you that no such thing has been discussed and I understand the importance of these functions in the life of a school. It has been my privilege in my fourteen years as a Principal to attend at least thirty two such balls and have students presented to me including each of my four children. There is no intention to remove these balls from the College Calendar.

I repeat the offer and invitation to feedback and include the students in this invitation. Please find below the exact insert from the last newsletter.

### 1. *Debutante Balls*

Over the course of the last fortnight I received a letter from the Parents and Friends Association asking me to consider and consult over some changes they were recommending to the Debutante Balls held in Year 11 each year. Below I have included some transcripts from the letter so that you will understand their reasoning.

"History; Over the past 18 months the numbers of parents reporting concerns to P&F members re: the purpose of a Deb Ball and its relevance in modern day Australia; the wearing of white as opposed to coloured dresses; the way in which partners are chosen – by girls and what could be considered the "developing socially confident" as opposed to those less developed in their "social confidence" – many parents have reported high levels of stress and anxiety in their students, particularly for those students both male and female who would like to attend without having to report they are without a partner to staff who will then attempt to find a willing partner for them. Parents have questioned the current process and where this sits in terms of inclusion."

#### **Recommendation 1: Change the name to Presentation Balls**

"**Changing the name of the Balls** held annually to Presentation Balls where the emphasis is not gender specific, nor reflective of an area where girls were given "a season" beginning with a Debutante Ball to meet and find suitable husbands, a custom long since given up by Queen Elizabeth in 1947. Presentation Ball refers to presenting current skills learnt relating to social etiquette, formal personal presentation and dance. These developing skills can increase self-confidence, self-esteem, self-development – useful life skills for which students of any gender are to be congratulated for and given the opportunity to "present" to parents, friends and staff."

#### **Recommendation 2: The Colour of the Dresses**

"**The wearing of white** was custom for females with corresponding white shirt, vest (as worn this year) by males to Debutante Balls. In modern day Australia the custom is still held by most Colleges during Presentation Balls. However a number of parents have asked why not coloured dresses as these could be worn the following year to Graduation or formal dance and would therefore be more cost effective."

#### **Recommendation 3: The Allocation of Partners**

"**The choosing of partners** could perhaps change to a height system whereby all students were given their partners according to height. Height because logistically dance is made easier by dancing with a partner of similar height. Another suggestion from a student was to choose partners by homeroom. Either way both fulfill the inclusion ethos of our College and no longer favour the "social developing confident" over those experiencing "social anxiety".

At the request of the P&F, I am therefore seeking advice from all interested parents and students across all year levels about these three issues:

- Should the name be changed to "Presentation Ball" rather than Debutante Ball?
- Should the dresses worn by the students be coloured or remain as traditional Debutante dresses?
- Should we allocate partners, whether by height or any other means, or continue to have the girls ask boys to accompany them?

I would appreciate your feedback on these issues emailed to me at [principal@mlmc.vic.edu.au](mailto:principal@mlmc.vic.edu.au)

#### **Participation in Eastern Independent School Melbourn (EISM)**

A second issue that I invited feedback about was return times from EISM. I have had little feedback on this issue and must reach an informed decision before the next Principals meetings. I need to understand that if a later return time would affect student's ability to participate in:

- EISM Football
- EISM Cricket
- Senior EISM
- all EISM sport

Please email me if you can provide any insights about later finishing times at [principal@mlmc.vic.edu.au](mailto:principal@mlmc.vic.edu.au)

#### **Personal Pars**

Families within our community continue to suffer and grieve with the passing of loved ones. We offer our thoughts and condolences on the passing of Margaret Witherow, grandmother to Liam (Year 12).

We pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret. May she rest in peace.

God Bless



**Philip A Morison**  
Principal

#### **FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL MISSION - ELIZABETH KEOGH**

##### **Students in Year 11 2017**

##### ***A Pilgrimage of a Lifetime!***

##### **An Invitation to Young Mercy Leaders**

If you have a commitment to the Mercy Spirit and live out Mercy Values in your everyday life.....

If you are passionate about God and the Church and want to make a difference in the world.....

Here is an opportunity for you to join like-minded young people from all over the world.

##### **The Dublin Pilgrimage for Young Mercy Leaders including a visit to Rome and Florence**

**14 to 27 July 2017**

**Cost approximately \$6,500 some of which will be subsidised by the College.**

*The format of the pilgrimage in previous years has been as follows:*

Visiting Dublin - the Heart of Mercy

3½ days Dublin prior to the Conference – Students visit Trinity College, the book of Kells,  
Glasnevin Cemetery or Kilmainham Gaol, Mass at St Mary's Pro Cathedral

3½ days Mercy Conference

Visiting Rome - the Heart of Catholicism

3 days in Rome / Florence – ancient Rome, day in Florence,  
special Mass for the group at St Peter's Basilica celebrated by the chaplain of Academy of Mary Immaculate

A total of approximately 14 days including travel time.

*Further details available from Ms Keogh*

**Application forms available from Student Reception**

**Closing date: Monday 22 August**

### MERCY DAY DONATIONS

Last year the Mercy day Op-Shop in the Youth Ministry Lounge raised over \$350 for Mercy Works thanks to generous donations from the community! In preparation for Mercy Day 2016 we are looking for the following items for the Op-Shop:

- Second hand accessories, gift items, ornaments and trinkets (no clothing please)
- Empty jars of any size
- Small prizes (stationery, cosmetics, individually wrapped lollies, jewellery) to put in the jars for a mystery prize game.

Please contact Genevieve Schaefer (Youth Ministry Officer) or Elizabeth Keogh at the College with any queries.



### FROM THE ACTING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL STUDENTS - JOHN RODGERS

One of the many special elements of Mount Lilydale Mercy College is our coming together to be a true community. Over the past few weeks I have been fortunate enough to experience this on several occasions. Perhaps the most obvious that springs to mind is the College Musical, where so many of our students and staff come together to rehearse for months so they can share their talents. The most noted talents we as an audience experience are those we see on the stage entertaining us, but we must also give recognition and many thanks to the dozens of others who help doing all the little unnoticed things that allow those on stage to shine.

Another example of the dedication our students show to ensure our community is served well was with the recent Open Day. A big thank you to members our Peer Support Team, School Representative Council, McAuley Captains and the Year 12 Prefects who gave up their time to be excellent ambassadors and tour guides for our College. I was very proud to hear the wonderful reports of how polite and helpful our students were. Our Mercy Charism of hospitality was well represented.

A third, and recent example community within the College was witnessed in the recent House Dodge ball competition, where each of the six houses 'combated' in a series of Dodge Ball playoffs. The competition was fierce with participants earning points for their house in the quest of winning the house cup. It was wonderful to see our College Prefects rally so many students to represent their House. I am sure many more House events will follow.

### PARKING NEAR THE COLLEGE

A reminder to parents who drop their children off in the streets surrounding the College, that some roads have no standing zones at the times most popular for drop off. Please be aware that the council does send out representatives to fine those who do not heed the signage. Allison Crescent and The Eyrie are the areas most patrolled.

With the recent cold and wet weather, you may be wondering if we are ever going to have a warm sunny season again. Hoping for the best and planning for a hot term four, the College has recently replaced a large shade area used by the Year 8 and 9 students. The new covering was installed last week and will provide excellent sun protection for our students when the warmer weather returns. Fingers crossed that it isn't too far away.

With the deadline for the 2017 Year 12 Student Leadership applications closed, the process now turns to students having a series of interviews with the mentor of the position they have applied for. The number of applications is again high this year, illustrating how keen our students are in wanting to serve their peers and College. Students who have applied for a College Captain position will be required to make a speech to their peers on August 16. Good luck to all those involved.

As always, please do not hesitate to give me a call if there is anything I can help you with.

**John Rodgers**  
Acting Deputy Principal - Students

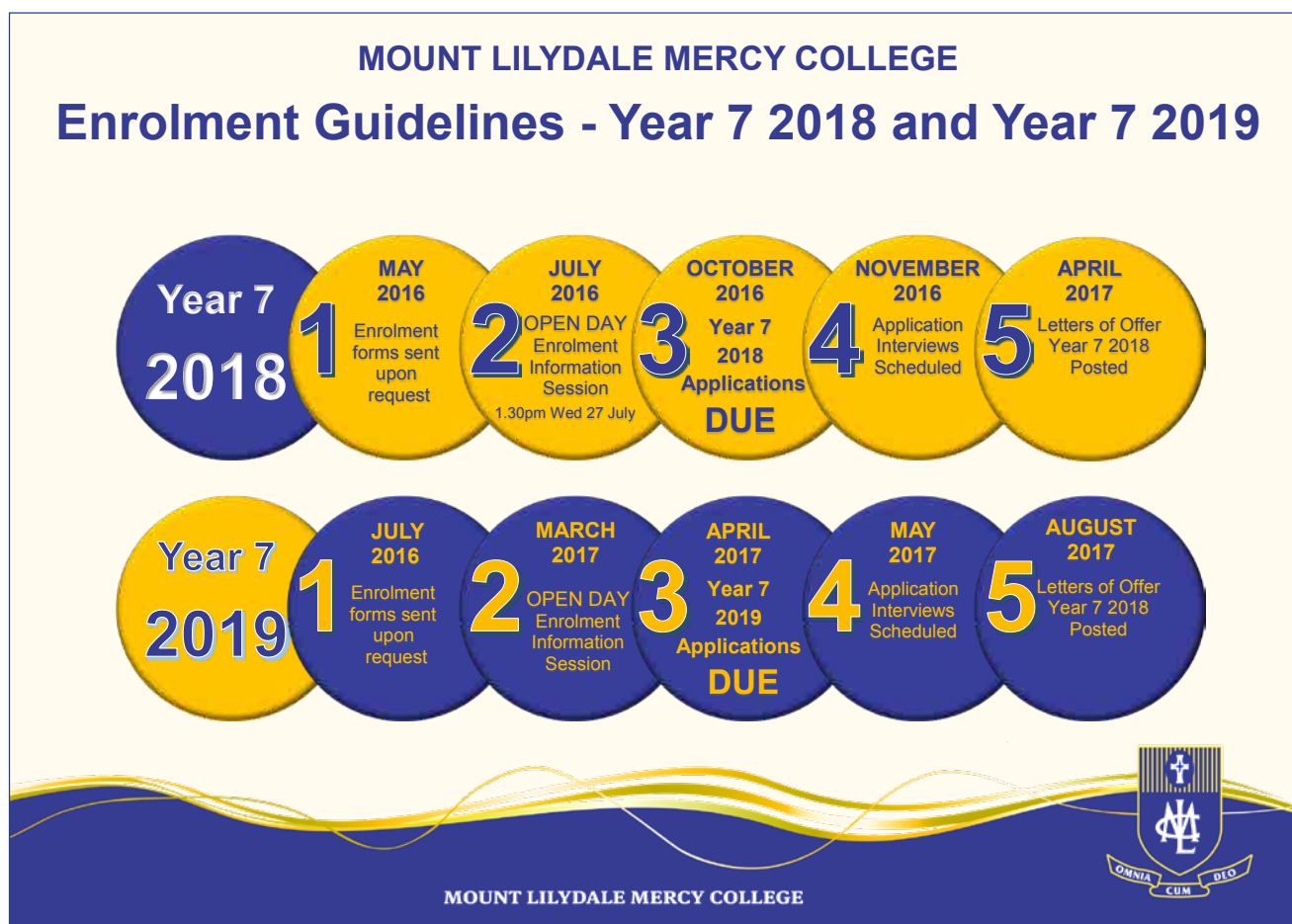


Wednesday 27 July was the College Open Day. Even though it was cold and wet at times, we welcomed many visitors who toured the college with student guides. I wish to congratulate the Year 10 Peer Support students and the College student leaders for their enthusiastic and knowledgeable tours on which many visitors commented positively. Mr Morison and senior staff presented information for prospective parents of Year 7 students in 2018/19, but the real applause was for Year 7 student Brianna Moore and the College Captains, Anabelle Weinberg and Paul Molluso, who all spoke positively about their time at the college and experiences they have had. Members of the Parents and Friends were on hand all day to provide refreshments for our visitors. Thank you to Jacqui MacDonald, Angela Baulch, Michelle Ennis, Ann Kennedy, Sue Henderson, Teang Laan, Yvonne Platten, Barry Callanan and Marissa Gmheling. Your support and hospitality is greatly appreciated.

The second Information session for parents of children in Grades 4 and 5 will be held tomorrow, Tuesday 9 August at 7.30pm in Centennial Hall. This is a repeat of the session held on Open Day. The Prospectus and Application form will also be available.

#### CHANGES TO THE ENROLMENT PROCESS

As you are now aware from previous newsletters, some changes have been made to the enrolment process at Mount Lilydale Mercy College. This will not affect the enrolments for students currently in Grade 5, as these dates will remain in line with the enrolment process we have followed in the past. If you have a child in Grade 4 whom you are intending to enrol for Year 7 2019 you will be affected by this change. In the past enrolment forms were required to be submitted by October of your child's Grade 5 year and offers were sent to families in April of the Grade 6 year. For current Grade 4 students this process has been moved forward by 6 months. We ask that families with students in Grade 4 please submit their child's application by April 2017 in order for offers to be posted by October 2017 (Grade 5). If you have a child in Grade 4 an Application Form will be sent to you via mail in the near future. If you have not received a form by mid-August 2016 could you please contact the college



#### PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

A very big thank you to the many parents who have so willingly supported students and staff on Open Day and during the Musical. You truly display a spirit of hospitality to our community.

Parents are reminded that our next meeting is on **Tuesday 16 August at 7.30pm** in Mount St Joseph staff dining room. This is an important meeting as we will be organising things for Mercy Day. All welcome.

**Mary Ryan**  
Interim President

## FROM THE YEAR 9 LEVEL LEADER - TERRY HILL

### YEAR 9 QUIET ACHIEVERS



#### **Neve Biggin | 9 White**

Neve Biggin is a quiet achiever. An unassuming personality she represented the College in Softball and currently she is an excellent member of the Year 9 Girl's EISM Soccer Team. Outside of school is no different After Neve's performances playing for Victoria in the Inline Hockey Nationals held in Queensland in the September school holidays last year, Neve was selected for the Australian team (both the 14s and 18s Junior Women teams) to play in the Junior Olympics in Hawaii from 7-18 July this year.

Neve was awarded the Captaincy for the 14s Junior Women team. The team won the silver medal going down in a close match to NZ, which they lost 5-3. In the 18s Junior Women team – Neve played defence on second line. In total, Neve managed to play 20 games of hockey across both age divisions. In the international division, Australia placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 14s and 5<sup>th</sup> in the 18s. In the lead up tournaments Australia came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 14s and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 18s. Neve was also lucky to fit in a little bit of cultural learning with visits to Pearl Harbour and the Polynesian Centre.

#### **Chloe Baulch | 9 Purple**

Chloe is another quiet achiever who is doing great things to bring Indigenous issues to the attention of the rest of the community. She is quietly passionate about this subject and was the school's only representative at this year's Victorian Aboriginal Anzac Remembrance Service held at "The Shrine" on 31st. May. This service has only been going for 11 years and belatedly recognises the commitment made by the numerous aboriginal men and women who served in the wars - generally without any recognition.

Chloe laid a wreath at the memorial service and is pictured here with a Wurundjeri elder - Aunty Dot Peters on the day. She hopes to maintain her interest in all things indigenous with her school studies and is scheduled to present a speech "I am proud to be Aboriginal" at the next year 9 assembly. She will also distribute rhythm sticks from the Mullum Mullum group at this assembly.



#### **Todd Garner | 9 Green**

Todd is another super sportsman who has made a name for himself during the last school holidays. Like Neve Biggin, Todd was also selected as captain of his representative squad in the annual AFL U/16 Championship between "The Boomerangs" and a multicultural team called "The World Team". Each year Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander boys from 14-16 are selected from around Australia to play against the up and coming stars from other cultures. 5 boys were selected from Victoria. Each year the selected players go through a series of games from which a final squad is then decided. Todd passed with flying colours and was made captain because of his leadership skills, school attendance and football ability. Like his brother Joel two years previously Todd starred in his matches. Also like his brother he has been offered a scholarship to Scotch College and sadly he will be leaving us next year to pursue his dream of becoming an AFL player. We wish him well.

## ANNUAL LORD AND LADY SOMER'S CAMPS - APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

### ATTENTION YEAR 11 STUDENTS

The Annual Lord and Lady Somer's Camps are now open for Applications. Each Year the Rotary Club of Healesville in conjunction with the O.T.U. (Officer's Training Unit) sponsor two Year 11 girls and two Year 11 boys for a week at Somers. The experience is sensational if you can go by the responses from all the participants that we have sent over the years.

The Camp is held separately for Boys and Girls and runs for a week in January (Boys 7-14 January 2017 | Girls 15-21 January 2017).

The camp called "Big Camp" is like no other and challenges the participants to the maximum. It is an ideal way to prepare for Year 12. This year's school captain Anabelle Weinberg was ecstatic about its value and enthusiastically features on a video clip promoting the camp. If you have any doubts about applying, ask Anabelle or Nicole Roberts two of last year's sponsored participants and they will certainly encourage you to apply or see Mr. Hill for more details.

Applications close Friday 16 September - to apply go online to [www.lscph.org.au](http://www.lscph.org.au)



### “LOOSE CHANGE FOR A BIG CHANGE!”

As part of the year 8 leaders' role, the Class Captains and Vice Captains have been collecting loose change. In English this term, the students are studying the Andrew Mulligan novel: Trash, set in a dumpsite in Manila in the Philippines, where young people sort through rubbish to earn a living. As part of the year 8 homeroom pastoral time the leaders in class have been promoting the Assist a student campaign where a student in the Asia- Pacific region is educated for a year for \$70. We decided to link in with the English studies, and raise money for a good cause.

Each class has a jar, and each week the class is encouraged to collect loose change. We have collected for two weeks so far, and the results are truly amazing! We have group efforts, and some inspirational personal efforts that will be awarded with College Colours and Crocodile Badges. We will collect for the term, and aim to make a difference!

Well done Year 8, we have a total of: \$559.35.

Seven students have been assisted (0.65 to assist one more)! We are doing so well and making a huge difference in the lives of people less fortunate than ourselves.

The enthusiasm has been terrific and we look forward to further updates of our progress.

**Nick Brockhus & Joanna Egan**  
Year 8 Level Leaders

## VICTORIAN PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE

Start counting your books because The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge finishes on 27 August. To complete the Challenge students need to have read 15 or more books. Once students have completed the Challenge they need to have their books verified before the 9 September. Books can be verified by returning a list of all books read, signed by parents or guardians, to McAuley Library. For more information visit the VPRC Libguides page: <http://libguides.mlmclilydale.catholic.edu.au/c.php?g=487343>, or speak with McAuley Library staff.

### VICTORIAN PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE READER PROFILE

This week we are profiling Alex Anderson from Year 7 and Isabella Whitelaw from Year 9.

#### Alex Anderson

##### *What are you reading at the moment?*

Anthony Horowitz's Stormbreaker series.

##### *What are your favourite books or book series?*

On Top of the World.

##### *Who is your favourite author?*

Andy Griffiths

##### *What is your first reading memory?*

Reading On Top of the World with my mum.

##### *Where is the most unusual place that you have read a book?*

Sitting on top of a car!

#### Isabella Whitelaw

##### *What are you reading at the moment?*

Muse by Rebecca Lim.

##### *What is your favourite book or book series?*

Shatter Me and Storm.

##### *Who are your favourite authors?*

I don't have a favourite author.

##### *What is your first reading memory?*

Mum reading to me when I was little.

##### *Where is the most unusual place that you have read a book?*

Not sure!

## SUSTAINABILITY NEWS

Sustainability Week is coming up very soon. Students and staff are busy planning some fun but educational activities for this week. This will be a time for the whole College community take some time to think and reassess how their everyday life activities can and do have an impact on the environment. Sustainability Week is Monday 22 August to Friday 26 August.

- Are we recycling efficiently?
- Are we switching off lighting that is not necessary?
- Are we setting our heaters at the recommended temperature of 22 degrees in Winter for optimal efficiency?

We can all make a difference and its not hard to do!

### DETOX YOUR HOME!

Sustainability Victoria have a mobile DETOX YOUR HOME Drop off station coming to Lilydale. This will happen on Saturday 27 August but YOU MUST REGISTER. Please see the attached flyer at the end of the newsletter for more details on what can be dropped off and how to register.



## Why Study A Language?



**So why is it important to Study a Language?** At Mount Lilydale Mercy College we have the opportunity not only to study a Language Other Than English, but to live it and breathe it. We provide rich and engaging experiences such as: The Italian and Japanese Study Tours at Year 10 and 11; the Dante Alighieri Poetry Competition at Years 9 to 11; the Year 8 Cultural Incursion presenting Carnevale and excursion to Kimono House as well as LOTE Week.

**There is a misconception that everybody in the world speaks English.**

In fact only 5.6% of the world's total population speaks English as a primary language. Even when we include those who speak English as a second language, only one fifth of people on earth speak English.

**Learning a language will improve your employment prospects when you leave school.**

We live in a globalized world, which means the world has become a much smaller and interconnected place. Improvements in technology provide us with the ability to communicate with anyone, anywhere, anytime. More and more companies are now working internationally and employers will be looking for an employee who can correspond with an international partner, investor or customer.

**To increase global understanding.** Learning another language gives you the ability to step inside the mind and context of that culture. Why is this important? In a world where nations are becoming more dependent upon one another to supply goods and services, solve political disputes and ensure international security, understanding other cultures is absolutely critical.

**To increase English Skills.** Research shows that knowledge of other languages boosts your understanding of languages in general and enables you to use your native language more effectively. In other words you can become a better English student if you study a foreign language.

**To improve results in other subjects.** There is strong evidence today that studying a foreign language has a ripple effect, helping to improve performance in other subjects. Students who have studied a language at school often score higher on tests in reading, the arts and maths.

**To improve chance of entry into University.** Today there are many university courses where the study of a language can actually give you an edge over other students who want to get into the same course as you. Many courses in the arts and humanities, natural sciences and behavioural and social sciences as well as professional fields prefer to enrol students who have studied a Language Other Than English.

**To make travel more feasible and enjoyable.** Though it is possible to travel to foreign countries without speaking the native language, your experience and understanding of a culture will be enhanced through being able to speak their language. Knowing other languages increases the number of people with whom you can communicate.

**To be eligible for the award of the VCE Baccalaureate.** The VCE Baccalaureate provides further information about the kind of VCE program a student has undertaken within the flexible nature of VCE. It provides an additional form of recognition for students who undertake the demands of studying both a higher level mathematics and a language in VCE. To be eligible for the VCE Baccalaureate, students must satisfactorily complete:

- Units 3 & 4 English or Literature or English Language (with a study score of 30 or above);
- Units 3 & 4 Mathematics Methods or specialist Mathematics;
- Units 3 & 4 VCE Language (LOTE);
- And at least two other Units 3 & 4 sequences.

Tertiary institutions strongly support any initiative that encourages students to study higher level mathematics and a language.



## FROM THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

### YEAR 7 SCIENCE FOCUS DAY

On Wednesday of last week all our Year 7 students participated in our annual Focus Day. Students gathered in McAuley Hall at the start of Period 1 and were set the challenge of designing a new basketball uniform. This design needed to be based on scientific investigation of five factors which included:

- Moisture absorbency;
- Breathability of material;
- Effect of colour of material on body temperature;
- Time taken for material to dry and
- Strength of the material.



Students performed practical investigations during periods 2 and 3 documenting their observations. They returned to their homeroom and under the guidance of their Science teacher they shared data and after lively discussion they worked in groups to put together a design based on their conclusions. The best design from each class was chosen and when students returned to McAuley Hall during period 6 each class presented its best design to the whole group. The high quality of these reports was a clear indication that this day was most successful and certainly worth continuing in the future. Year 7 Gold was declared as our winner and will be rewarded with a Pizza lunch. Thank you to all our Y7 students on the wonderful way in which they accepted the challenge and came up with solutions which we will take up with our Sport Department for consideration. Well done also to the Science teachers who worked tirelessly throughout the day and helped make the day so successful.

**Danny Katzen**  
Science Faculty Leader



## TREE PLANTING DAY 2016

We continued our annual tradition of increasing our Floral Biodiversity at our College by planting more than 100 native trees and shrubs on National School's Tree-planting Day. We had a large turnout of more than 150 students and staff. It was great to see so many of our students, especially our Year 7 students. Thank you to our groundsmen Andrew Commerford and Mick Hill for selecting the plants and arranging all the equipment required to make tree-planting day so successful.

**Danny Katzen**  
on behalf of MLMC Sustainability Group





### YEAR 12 THEATRE STUDIES MEETS BELL SHAKESPEARE'S 'OTHELLO'

On the 26 July, the Year 12 Theatre Studies class ventured to the Frankston Arts Centre for a workshop with the Bell Shakespeare Theatre Company, focussing on the play, 'Othello'. Students will be reviewing this show as part of their course this semester. In this workshop, students were given the opportunity to delve into themes and characters of Shakespeare's 'Othello' by working in groups, and participating in activities around acting styles and the text. It was interesting to observe the continued importance of 'Othello's' themes, such as discrimination (gender or racial), within today's modern context. This highlighted to the class the strength of Shakespearean literature, still relevant after 400 years. The class also received insight into the world of professional stage acting, and the importance of passion rather than a drive for fame. Bell Shakespeare Company's facilitator and professional actor/director, Trent also shared stories which will continue to inspire us young thespians to achieve our dreams in such an challenging industry.

Candice Farrugia-Roberts  
12 Gold



# the boite

Mount Lilydale Mercy College had the privilege of participating in the Boîte Schools Chorus on Wednesday 3 August at the Melbourne Town Hall. The Boîte Schools Chorus is an un-auditioned choir project for schools and community youth choirs. Since 2004 the Boîte Schools Chorus has involved nearly 8000 students from across Victoria in 27 concerts in Melbourne, Frankston, Albury/ Wodonga, Ballarat and Bairnsdale. Each year the chorus focuses on a different cultural theme, which has included Indigenous Australia, Africa, Pacific Islands, Seychelles, East Timor, and South America. Students participate in two combined schools rehearsals and perform in a concert, with well-known musicians and hundreds of peers from other schools. Excellent teaching materials support the project and all teaching resources are provided.

In 2016 Windrush, led by Geoffrey Williams and Stella Savy, took our students on a musical journey from the warm tropical songs of the Caribbean to a new sound and culture developing in the UK as a result of post war migration from the West Indies. Influencing artists like The Specials, Elvis Costello and Sting and establishing the Two Tone Label, the Windrush years had a profound effect on the musical landscape of Britain and the world.

Growing up during these turbulent times Geoffrey Williams was inspired and challenged by the Windrush generation. Windrush will not only feature familiar traditional and contemporary songs, but also original compositions to tell the personal tale of the Williams family making this iconic journey.

Students involved in this spectacular performance included Tamara Craig, Emma Di Paolo, Georgia Drummond, Tess Flint, Bella Green, Zoe Hendriks, Emily Hoiles, Grace Moody, Brianna Moore, Shae Preston, Amy Roberts, Alisha Rownden, Kirra Smark, Talissa Tocci, Madeline Trimboli, and Charlotte Vranken. We would also like to acknowledge the time and dedication Ms Dickason has put into the students in preparing them for this incredible performance.



## EMERGING LEADERS PROGRAM

David Banfield runs an Emerging Leaders Program at the Box Hill Hawks Football Club called the Flying Hawks School.

One of their topic areas this season has been "community connection". The players came up with the idea of recycling footy boots.

The connection between Mount Lilydale and Jigalong was a logical destination for these recycled boots. Three parcels have been sent to the Jigalong School Principal, Shane Wilson. More bags will be sent in the coming weeks.



L-R: Jack Codd-Miller, Dave Mirra ( Club Captain), Nick Evans



There has been an outbreak of head lice in Year 9. Could all parents please check their children's hair. Students with long hair (girls and boys) must tie their hair back. Please refer to communication below:

### MOUNT LILYDALE MERCY COLLEGE



Dear parents/guardians,

We need to inform you that there has been an outbreak of head lice within the school community.

Unfortunately head lice continue to cause concern and frustration for some parents, teachers and children. Please remember to be vigilant with regular head lice checks (preferably once a week); even in older students. Long hair should be tied back to help prevent the spread of head lice through direct **hair to hair** contact. If live lice are found, please notify the school and advise when treatment was started.

Head lice cannot be completely eradicated, however our aim is to create and maintain a well-informed school community (parents, teachers, students) confident in the ability to manage head lice effectively. Head lice infestations are as much a social issue as they are an educational or health issue; therefore we encourage all parents, staff and students to learn more about head lice so as to help remove any stigma or potential bullying associated with the issue.

- It is parents' responsibility to ensure their child does not attend school with untreated head lice and as such, if live lice are found in hair students will be removed from classes and parents contacted to collect their child for treatment.
- It is the schools responsibility to inform parents when head lice have been detected within the community, provide parents with resources to adequate information on the detection, treatment and control of head lice as required; and maintain confidentiality when instances of head lice are detected amongst students.

*Exclusions under the Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations 2001 refers to the exclusion of children from school until the day after appropriate treatment has started. For instance, the use of combing and conditioner can constitute appropriate treatment. If a child re-attends school with live lice they can again be excluded until the live insects have been removed.*

*Department of Human Services*

**Head lice can be controlled – it takes a consistent systematic community based approach.**

- Please visit [www.health.vic.gov.au/headlice](http://www.health.vic.gov.au/headlice) ,or
- Feel free to contact MLMC First Aid Nursing Staff for more information.

**Krissy Haggar**  
**College Nurse**  
**Ph: 9237 1396**



## CABERNET SAUVIGNON PRE-SALES



We are very glad to announce that the 2015 Vintage Cabernet Sauvignon is now available on pre-sale. We encourage you to order quickly as stocks are very limited. At a low and affordable price of \$130.00 for 6 bottles, this includes a total pre-sale saving of \$20.00. You wouldn't want to miss out on this great offer.

MLMC vintage wine has had a high success rate in the past winning a range of awards. This year's 2015 vintage was produced by the students and has aged 12 months in a unique french oak barrel. The students have put a great amount of hard work and pride into the wine that they have produced. The 2015 Vintage official launch date will be 4<sup>th</sup> of October 2016 in term 4.

Pre-sales of our 2015 vintage are still available, but hurry as stocks are limited. Profits go towards supporting the program. Contact Cathy Pote by phone or email at [cpote@mlmc.vic.edu.au](mailto:cpote@mlmc.vic.edu.au) to place your advance order.

## SPORT REPORT

### YEAR 8 RESULTS | 26 JULY

| Sport                | Opponent   | Result | Winner     | Best Player         |
|----------------------|------------|--------|------------|---------------------|
| Boys UFC             | Mt. Scopus | 8-6    | MLMC       | Harrison Van Duuran |
| Boys Badminton       | Mt. Scopus | 3-9    | Mt. Scopus | Jai Addison         |
| Boys Touch           | Mt. Scopus | 1-2    | Mt. Scopus | Lachlan Kennedy     |
| Boys Netball A       | Mt. Scopus | 19-7   | MLMC       | Max Hall            |
| Boys Netball B       | Mt. Scopus | 4-5    | Mt. Scopus | Harrison Randle     |
| Sport                | Opponent   | Result | Winner     | Best Player         |
| Girls Football       | Mt. Scopus | 60-0   | MLMC       | Lily Dove           |
| Girls Badminton      | Mt. Scopus | 2-10   | Mt. Scopus | Georgia Drummond    |
| Girls Table Tennis A | Mt. Scopus | 0-6    | Mt. Scopus | Rebecca Meyer       |
| Girls Table Tennis B | Mt. Scopus | 1-5    | Mt. Scopus | Chloe Richard       |

### SENIOR RESULTS | 27 JULY

| Sport        | Opponent      | Result | Winner        | Best Player |
|--------------|---------------|--------|---------------|-------------|
| Girls Hockey | Plenty Valley | 0-7    | Plenty Valley | Livy Henry  |

### YEAR 9 RESULTS | 28 JULY

| Sport               | Opponent     | Result  | Winner       | Best Player     |
|---------------------|--------------|---------|--------------|-----------------|
| Boys Football       | St. Joseph's | 7-76    | St. Joseph's | Jordan Jaworski |
| Boys Soccer         | Mt. Scopus   | 4-0     | Mt. Scopus   | Alex Clarke     |
| Boys Badminton      | Mt. Scopus   | 16-13   | Mt. Scopus   | Hayden Ting     |
| Boys Table Tennis A | Mt. Scopus   | 0-6     | MLMC         | Connor Dennis   |
| Boys Table Tennis B | Mt. Scopus   | 2-4     | MLMC         | Brenton Smith   |
| Lawn Bowls Blue     | Mt. Scopus   | 5-14    | Mt. Scopus   | Kai Martin      |
| Lawn Bowls Gold     | Mt. Scopus   | 6-11    | Mt. Scopus   | Cooper Downey   |
| Sport               | Opponent     | Result  | Winner       | Best Player     |
| Girls Football      | Mt. Scopus   | 60-29   | MLMC         | Meg Thompson    |
| Girls Soccer        | Mt. Scopus   | 3-0     | MLMC         | Neve Biggin     |
| Girls Netball A     | Mt. Scopus   | 46-16   | MLMC         | Hayley Turner   |
| Girls Netball B     | Mt. Scopus   | 43-5    | MLMC         | Charlotte Cilia |
| Lawn Bowls Gold     | Mt. Scopus   | 6-2     | MLMC         | Kaitlyn Spinks  |
| Lawn Bowls Blue     | Mt. Scopus   | Forfeit | MLMC         | Chloe Baulch    |

## YEAR 8 RESULTS | 2 AUGUST

| Sport                | Opponent | Result | Winner  | Best Player                 |
|----------------------|----------|--------|---------|-----------------------------|
| Girls Football       | Tintern  | 47-13  | MLMC    | Ebony Smark & Ashlee Atwell |
| Girls Badminton      | Tintern  | 0-12   | Tintern | Patricia Aguinaldo          |
| Girls Table Tennis A | Tintern  | 9-10   | Tintern | Karen Laan                  |
| Girls Table Tennis B | Tintern  | 10-9   | MLMC    | Brooke Zeniou               |

## SENIOR RESULTS | 3 AUGUST

| Sport               | Opponent   | Result | Winner     | Best Player           |
|---------------------|------------|--------|------------|-----------------------|
| Boys Soccer         | Mt. Scopus | 1-8    | Mt. Scopus | Christian Ruscitti    |
| Boys Volleyball     | Mt. Scopus | 1-2    | Mt. Scopus | Nathan Schubank       |
| Boys Badminton      | Mt. Scopus | 5-7    | Mt. Scopus | Darcey Howard- Scales |
| Boys Table Tennis A | Mt. Scopus | 0-6    | Mt. Scopus | Jacob Starnawki       |
| Boys Table Tennis B | Mt. Scopus | 0-6    | Mt. Scopus | Will Page             |



| Sport           | Opponent   | Result | Winner     | Best Player    |
|-----------------|------------|--------|------------|----------------|
| Girls Football  | Mt. Scopus | 42-13  | MLMC       | Emerson Woods  |
| Girls Soccer    | Mt. Scopus | 3-4    | Mt. Scopus | Emily Busacca  |
| Girls Netball A | Mt. Scopus | 32-27  | MLMC       | Serena Gibbs   |
| Girls Netball B | Mt. Scopus | 38-14  | MLMC       | Maggie McGuire |

## YEAR 9 RESULTS | 4 AUGUST

| Sport               | Opponent   | Result | Winner     | Best Player     |
|---------------------|------------|--------|------------|-----------------|
| Boys Football       | Luther     | 47-21  | MLMC       | Jordan Jaworski |
| Boys Soccer         | St Josephs | 3-9    | St Josephs | Alex Clarke     |
| Boys Badminton      | St Josephs | 7-5    | MLMC       | Hayden Ting     |
| Boys Table Tennis A | St Josephs | 1-5    | St Josephs | Connor Dennis   |
| Boys Table Tennis B | St Josephs | 1-5    | St Josephs | Brenton Smith   |
| Lawn Bowls Blue     | Aquinas    | 17-1   | MLMC       | Kai Martin      |
| Lawn Bowls Gold     | Billanook  | 6-9    | Billanook  | Cooper Downey   |



| Sport           | Opponent  | Result | Winner  | Best Player     |
|-----------------|-----------|--------|---------|-----------------|
| Girls Football  | Billanook | 66-6   | MLMC    | Meg Thompson    |
| Girls Soccer    | Billanook | 4-0    | MLMC    | Neve Biggin     |
| Girls Netball A | Billanook | 41-33  | MLMC    | Hayley Turner   |
| Girls Netball B | Billanook | 37-7   | MLMC    | Charlotte Cilia |
| Lawn Bowls Gold | Luther    | 3-5    | Luther  | Kaitlyn Spinks  |
| Lawn Bowls Blue | Aquinas   | 4-9    | Aquinas | Chloe Baulch    |

## VNA NETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS



### Year 11 & 12 Team

On Friday 29 June, 30 Girls from Years 7-12 attended the VNA Championships at the State Netball and Hockey Centre. The Year 11-12 team played 8 games, winning 4 and losing 4. It was a great day and the competition was extremely tough, coming up against schools that specialise in Netball, whom have been training regularly from the start of the year. After only having a few training sessions before the day, MLMC definitely gave the other schools some strong competition! After playing in this team each year throughout my schooling, it was so nice to be able to be part of it again this year and represent MLMC in my final year with such a great bunch of girls. Thank you to Miss Esmonde for coaching us!

Nicole Roberts | Year 12

### Year 9 & 10 Team

On Friday 29 July, MLMC entered 3 teams to compete at the Netball Victoria School Netball Championships held at the State Netball and Hockey Centre. This day was a great day to show everyone what us netball girls were made of. As most of the girls in our team had played together before, we quickly showed all the schools that Mount Lilydale was a force to be reckoned with. We came out with all guns blazing. After a close first game, we were soon on track to the finals, but in order to make it to the finals we had to win all of our 8 games for the day. With a few close games against both Trinity College teams, winning by just 2 each time and a very tough game in the rain against Ballarat Grammar, we had one last game to win to get there. At the start of the day we set out to make it to finals day and we were not going to let this last game get to our heads, as we were to play our final game against the bottom team. When the final siren rung for the day, we knew; we had done it, we had made it to finals day finishing the day unbeaten! A massive thank you to Lauren Van Der Westhuizen for coaching us for the tournament. Also a huge thank you to all the girls in the Year 9 & 10 team for playing great netball all day.



Congratulations to the Year 7 & 8 team for placing 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Junior division and the Year 11 & 12 team for placing 6<sup>th</sup> in the Senior division. Bring on finals!

Serena Gibbs | Year 10



### Year 7 & 8 Team

On Friday 29 July, we participated in the Year 7 & 8 VNA Netball Championships at the State Netball and Hockey Centre. We played 8 games for the day and our team managed to win 7 of them. Our team was incredibly consistent throughout the day, which was an awesome effort considering most of the team had never played together. I felt I played my role on the day, as did every other team member. It was a wonderful experience to share with my teammates and represent my school. Thank you to Taylah for coaching us and for all her hard work selecting the teams and training us in the weeks leading up to the day.

Laura Fitzgerald | Year 7

### YEAR 7 & 8 CROSS COUNTRY

Friday turned on a stunning day for us as our Year 7 and 8 students competed in the House Cross Country event. Congratulations to everyone who competed and did their best on the day!

Remember, training continues every Monday after school 3.30-4.30pm and Wednesday mornings before school 7.00-8.00am and Friday lunchtimes. See the Sports office for more details.



#### Year 7 Girls

|        |                     |
|--------|---------------------|
| Gold   | Olivia De Vincentis |
| Silver | Sophie Jasworski    |
| Bronze | Emily Wicks         |

#### Year 7 Boys

|                 |
|-----------------|
| Max Benson      |
| Vincent Belford |
| Jack Silvester  |

#### Year 8 Girls

|        |                 |
|--------|-----------------|
| Gold   | Ebony Smark     |
| Silver | Adriana Hawkins |
| Bronze | Teghan Hartigan |

#### Year 8 Boys

|                  |
|------------------|
| Harry van Duuren |
| Lachlan Kennedy  |
| Riley George     |



### More dates

Year 9 Cross Country Carnival – Thursday 11 August

Senior Cross Country Carnival – Wednesday 24 August

EISM Cross Country Carnival – Wednesday 7 September

### STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

#### Half Marathon

Well done to Michael Johnston who completed another half marathon at the Run Melbourne event on 23 July in a very respectable time of 1.53!



## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS



### **Cycling**

Congratulations to Wes Rayner (Year 10), who finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the first round of the Victorian Schools Cycling Championships Mountain Bike race at Dromana on July 23-24.

### **Running**

Well done to Mikayla Byrne (Year 9), who ran the 10km event at the Run Melbourne event on 23 July, placing 8<sup>th</sup> in her category!



### **Football**

Todd Garner (Year 9) has achieved many things in Football this year. Earlier this year, Todd represented Victoria/Tasmania in the Kickstart Indigenous AFL Football, where they competed in Townsville against the other Australian States. From there, he was selected in (and made captain of) the Australian Flying Boomerangs Team, competing in the July school holidays on the Gold Coast in Division 2 of the National Championships. His team competed against the Multi-Cultural World team, and they won both their games. Best wishes for your football future, Todd!

### **Inline Hockey**

Congratulations to Neve Biggin (Year 9), who over the past year has been selected for Victoria and Australia in the Under 14 and Under 18 teams in Inline Hockey. Neve played in the Junior Olympics in July this year and was awarded the Captaincy for the Under 14 team. This team won the silver medal, going down in a close match to New Zealand 3-5. In the Under 18 team, Neve played defense on second line. Australia finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Under 14 competition and 5<sup>th</sup> in the Under 18 competition.



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### **PERSONALISED SCREEN-PRINTING**

Do you need a company uniform? Or maybe some clothing for yourself, your child or pet?

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Email: 16cfrazer@mlmc.vic.edu.au

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Year 12 senior VCAL Riley, Maddi, Ash

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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

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at [oc@mlmc.vic.edu.au](mailto:oc@mlmc.vic.edu.au)  
or on 03 9735 4022





# Assist a Student

An education scholarship program aimed at breaking the cycle of poverty.



Assist a Student is a program of the St Vincent de Paul Society in Australia.

Donations from Australians are used to provide education scholarships for students across partner countries in Asia and the Pacific.

Throughout partner countries, local St Vincent de Paul Society members select students from families in need to be supported by the program. They receive a scholarship for one year and the money donated contributes to their education needs.

The program includes students at all levels—from primary, secondary and post-secondary. Scholarships are allocated across the countries to ensure fair distribution. One of the program's strongest and most attractive features is that administration costs, funded by the Society, are kept at an absolute minimum.

No administration cost is deducted from your donation. 100% goes towards the students' education needs (including course fees, uniforms, books etc) for one year.

**100%** of your donation goes to the students' education needs for one year.

It is a common belief that education improves a young person's opportunity of gaining useful employment, thereby increasing their ability to support themselves and their families in the future. It is a means of empowering an individual to break out of the cycle of poverty.

One of the most positive ways of helping families in need throughout Asia and the Pacific to become self sufficient is through education. The Assist a Student program gives you the opportunity to support the education of students in Asia and the Pacific. The students supported by this program may not be able to attend school without the scholarship.

In choosing to donate money to the Assist a Student program, you are taking the opportunity to provide education scholarships to overseas students in need of support throughout their education.

As well as this you will receive:

- A supporter certificate with the student name, country and course of study for each \$70 donation.
- A complimentary copy of *The Record* with an Assist a Student insert will be sent annually.

NB: To protect the privacy and dignity of the student, and in accordance with The Rule of the St Vincent de Paul Society, photographs and addresses of the students are not provided.

## Yes, I want to Assist a Student today!

To donate online please visit [www.vinnies.org.au/aas](http://www.vinnies.org.au/aas)

- ☐ I am an individual assisting a student; OR  
☐ I am assisting a student on behalf of a group

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**I would like to donate** (Donations over \$2 are tax deductible):

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# Free household chemical collection at Lilydale's Detox your Home



Detox your Home is a **safe, FREE and easy-to-use** service to dispose of common household chemicals without harming your health or the environment.

Lilydale's collection  
**Saturday 27 August 2016**  
**8.00 am to 4.00 pm**

Site address will be provided upon registration.

Do the right thing for your loved ones and your environment and Detox your Home. It's easy and it's free.

## What you need to do

Simply register online, then turn up on the day with your unwanted items – and we'll do the rest.

**Register now to choose your preferred time slot:**

➔ [sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome](http://sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome)



## Detox your Home

Do you have chemical products you no longer use? Some of these products could harm you, your children and your pets.

It's also dangerous to throw chemical products out with your regular rubbish collection. The products could explode, ignite, leak or mix with other chemicals. And pouring them down the drain would pollute our waterways, harming animals and vegetation, contaminating our drinking water supply and making rivers and beaches unsafe for swimming.

The good news is you can reduce the risk of poisoning, environmental pollution and bushfire hazards, as well as improve recycling rates, by dropping off unwanted chemicals at Springvale's Detox your Home mobile collection.

## ✓ Detox your Home accepts:

- Acids and alkalis
- Aerosols
- Anti-freeze
- Brake fluid
- Car body filler
- Car wax
- Cleaners – ammonia based
- Cooking oil
- Coolant
- Detergents, disinfectants and drain cleaners
- Fertiliser
- Fire extinguishers
- Floor-care products and waxes
- Fuels – petrol, diesel, kerosene, other
- Glues – water-based and solvents
- Herbicides and weed killers
- Insect spray and pesticides
- Nail polish and remover
- Oven cleaner
- Paint stripper, thinner and turps
- Pool chemicals
- Rat poison
- Solvents
- Transmission fluid
- Wood preservatives and finishes (oils and varnish)

## Tips to safely transport chemicals

- Check lids are on tight.
- Put containers in a plastic tray or bucket.
- Double wrap old containers to prevent leaks.
- Pack powders and solids securely.
- Travel with your car windows open if you have flammable material or chemicals that smell.

## ✗ Detox your Home does not accept:



- Batteries – car and household varieties
- Compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs)
- Paint
- Ammunition or firearms
- Asbestos
- Chemicals used by businesses
- Farm chemicals
- Gas bottles
- Motor oil

Household paint, batteries and CFLs can be disposed of at a permanent drop-off site.

And other items found at home with these symbols:



You can bring as many of the above items as you like, so long as each container is less than 20 litres or 20 kilograms.

Decanting not permitted.

For more information on where to dispose of the above products, and a list of permanent drop-off sites, visit [sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome](http://sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome) or contact your local council.

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Detox your Home is a free service for all Victorian householders. It is administered by Sustainability Victoria in partnership with local councils and is funded by the Victorian landfill levy.