EASTER MASS TIMES 2014
Corpus Christi
2 Alma Street BELLERIVE 7018
Holy Thursday: 7:00 PM (Mass of Lord’s supper)
Good Friday: 11.30am Ecumenical Way of the Cross starts at 11.30am at the Anglican Church cnr Scott and Clarence Streets, moves along Cambridge Road and finishes at Corpus Christi
3:00 PM (Solemn afternoon ceremonies)
Easter Vigil: 7:00 PM
Easter Sunday: 10:30 AM, 6:00 PM
Easter: 11:00 AM
Community Centre Hall Lewisham Road DODGES FERRY
Easter Sunday: 9:30 AM

YEAR 10 – MY FUTURE – CAREER AND TRANSITION PROGRAM, 2014
On 18 March, 2014 all Year 10 students gathered in the Gym for the launch of the Year 10 MY FUTURE – Career and Transition Program for 2014.

The focus of the program for 2014 is: “me in my world – living, working and learning in the 21st century”

Aims of the program are for students to:
1. develop a clear picture of their future and plan how to get there;
2. know themselves – including skills, strengths and barriers;
3. such that they:
   a. can access and personalise career information, and
   b. can manage their lives/career direction.
4. So that when each Year 10 student moves up from MacKillop they are clear on their next step.

Key features of the program include:
- talks by guest speakers
- personal preparation for the GYC subject expo in July 2014;
- opportunities for career and subject counselling;
- participation in the Year 10 Moving Up Conference during November 2014.

The program is detailed fully in the Year 10 MY FUTURE portfolio. Ask your son or daughter for review of the portfolio which they have uploaded to their iPad.

MY FUTURE GUEST SPEAKERS: YEARS 11 AND 12 AND BEYOND
On 25 March all Year 10s met with Helen Spencer, Deputy Principal of GYC Hobart campus; Holly littering from the University of Tasmania and Kylie Petryk from Work and Training together with two MacKillop Old Scholars, Olivia Tapping and Matt Hope.

Our guest speakers talked about life in a senior secondary college; what the Tasmanian Certificate of Education (TCE) is all about – foundation, pathway and pre-tertiary subjects; life at UTAS and what a tertiary entrance ranking (ATAR) means, experiences in Vocational Education and Training (VET); and opportunities to undertake both pre-tertiary and VET studies.

The overall messages for our Year 10 students were:
- it’s OK to be uncertain about what you want to do in the future;
- it’s OK to seek help and assistance;
- we are all here to help you;
- it’s wise to seek help early.

For more information please contact Mr Roger Toombs, Development Officer.

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ATTACHMENT TO THIS NEWSLETTER
1. Entertainment Book Flyer

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first is to validate the implementation of the School Improvement Process in the College, affirming good practice and offering recommendations for further improvement as appropriate. This provides a measure of quality assurance to educational authorities and the College community.

The second purpose is as a response to the Archbishop’s Charter as the School Improvement Plan, with its Strategic Component and Annual Plans, provides a pathway to embed actions that address the eleven Statements in the Charter.

A four-person panel, chaired by Mrs Christine Edwards from the Tasmanian Catholic Education Office, will review our documentation, interview members of our community and tour the College grounds and classrooms during their visit. At the end of the process a report will be presented to the College for our consideration as we head into the future.

YEAR 7, 2015
Applications for Year 7, 2015 enrolments close tomorrow, Thursday 17 April 2014. All students seeking enrolment need to complete applications by this date. Application forms are available from the College Office or by downloading an application form from our website – www.mackillop.tas.edu.au

REPORTS
Term 1 Interim Reports were sent home today. This report covers the following three essential areas:
- whether a student has been accessing material at grade level;
- whether the student has been engaged in the subject;
- whether the subject teacher believes that there is cause for concern for the student in that subject.

There will be no formal Parent-Teacher Interviews following this report as we have just held the recent goal-setting conferences but parents are encouraged to make contact with the teacher if there are any issues or concerns.

STAFF NEWS
It is my pleasure to inform you that Mr Bernie Colebourn will be returning from interstate to take over the teaching responsibilities for Mr Conneely’s classes, effective from the start of Term 2. We welcome Bernie back to the College.

We will welcome Mr Steven Burdon to the College on the 19 May, 2014. Mr Burdon will be taking over from Mr Sean Priest in the Music Department for the remainder of the 2014 academic year.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
Congratulations to Rebekah Thomas (8 Red) on her selection to represent Australia in the Under 17 Australasian Badminton
Championships to be held in New Zealand. Well done and all the best, Rebekah.

Congratulations to Maggie Turner (10 Red) on her selection to compete at the Australian Age Swimming Championships to be held in Sydney. All the best, Maggie.

OFFICE

The College Office will be closed from Friday, April 18 until Friday, April 25 during the Term One holidays. The office will re-open again on Monday, April 28.

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

As we head toward a well-earned break for Easter I would like to wish all our students and staff a very happy and safe Easter. For the church, Easter is a celebration of the Risen Lord and a time to remember the sacrifices others have made on our behalf.

UNIFORM CHANGEOVER

As noted in previous newsletters, when we return to Term 2 all students should be in full formal winter uniform. Our College Uniform Shop will be open this Thursday (tomorrow) to purchase those essential last-minute items, such as boys’ ties and girls’ navy stockings. (Please note that black stockings are not acceptable.)

Winter Uniform

Navy blazer
College pullover
College grey trousers/shorts
White buttoned to the neck shirt
College tie
Grey socks
Grey belt
Black regulation lace-up school shoes

Girls

Navy blazer
College pullover
Tartan skirt
White shirt
Navy stockings
Black regulation lace-up school shoes

An additional item for Winter is the soft-shell navy jacket which can be worn at home. These will be taken at the Uniform Shop. Students are reminded that they are more than welcome to wear white thermals or singlets under their white College shirts in an effort to keep warm, but these under-garments should NOT be visible. Hooded tops or non-College jackets, beanie, scarves etc. are not permitted. College beanies and scarves are available from the College Office or the Uniform Shop which is open Tuesdays and Thursdays. College blazers should always be worn to and from school.

EDMUND RICE WHOLE-COLLEGE MASS

In the first week of next term the College will join with other Tasmanian schools in the Christian Brothers’ tradition to celebrate the life of Blessed Edmund Rice by attending Mass. On Friday, May 9, we ask that all students are in their formal uniform and looking their best. We leave the College at 10:30 am to move to the Derwent Entertainment Centre and return for an afternoon concert at the College. Buses to and from the College will be as normal on this day.

Announcing GUILFORD YOUNG COLLEGE OPEN DAY on Wednesday, May 14. You are invited to visit Tasmania’s only senior secondary Catholic school, educational college on a normal school day. Tours of the Glenorchy and the Hobart Campuses will be held at 10am, 11am, midday and 3pm. To book a tour, please contact Mrs Rose Stevens on 6238 4367 or email her at rstevens@gyc.tas.edu.au.

CYBERSMART PRESENTATION

Last Tuesday afternoon, during Personal Development, all students attended a special presentation called “CyberSmart”, provided by the Australian Communications and Media Authority. The CyberSmart program is designed to support and encourage our students’ participation in the digital world by providing information and education which empowers children to be safe online.

Students were fully engaged with the presentation which covered the following topics: cyberbullying, digital reputation, e-security, identity theft and scams, offensive or illegal content, protecting personal information, sexting, social networking and so on.

I encourage all parents to have a conversation with their children about the behavior of use by your children. The CyberSmart website is an interactive and highly informative resource for both parents and students, loaded with plenty of tips and advice: cybersmart.gov.au.

Mr Nicholas Lahaye
DIRECTOR OF STUDENT WELLBEING

2014 SUCCESSFULLY ELECTED SRC MEMBERS

On Tuesday, during Personal Development at our whole-College assembly, we proudly acknowledged the successfully-elected 2014 Student Representative Council members by presenting badges to the following students for their role this year:

7 Blue: Jared Hyland and Olivia Bomford
7 Gold: Sam Green and Abbey West
7 Green: Jamie Woolley and Keely Wallace
7 Red: Jack Preschaw and Georgia Leary
7 White: Riley O’Connell and Bella Lang
8 Blue: Thomas Pyke and Charlotte Kenny
8 Gold: Lachie Creese and April Malovnek
8 Green: Tim Davis and Megan Francis
8 Red: Daniel Vernon and Jasmine Tate-Turvey
8 White: Jack Pigott and Hayley Spencer
9 Blue: Sarah Robinson and Jacob Ruggles
9 Gold: Olivia Knight and Matthew Bomford
9 Green: Madeline Whelan and Carson Lockwood
9 Red: Georgia Syl and Harrison Lange
9 White: Jordan Davidson and Claire Callan

Congratulations to our new SRC members and best wishes for the year ahead in your important roles.

PLAGIARISM

As the term draws to its close, we have had a number of cases of students attempting to plagiarise. As you may already know, the College holds no brief for this kind of behaviour. We are very conscious of our educational responsibility to mentor our students in their understanding of what exactly constitutes plagiarism, especially in these days of easy access to information via the internet. However, we are at the same time putting in place a process under the banner of our Learning and Curriculum Policy specifically to address consequences when plagiarism is proven to have occurred. We will publish this process on the College website once it is completely defined.

We hope you will join the College in supporting our students as they work towards stamping out this type of behaviour within our community. Please contact me via jose@mackillop.tas.edu.au if you have any questions or observations to make about the process we intend to put in place.

Dr John Snell
DIRECTOR OF LEARNING AND TEACHING

On Holy Thursday, we will have a Holy Thursday Liturgy during Period 5. As this is a formal occasion commemorating the Easter journey, students are required to wear their formal uniform, including blazer. As a Catholic community, it is pivotal that the Easter story is retold and remembered, as it is at the centre of our Christian faith. As a community, it is an opportunity to gather and pray and give thanks for the incredible grace we all receive at Easter.

Director of Learning and Teaching

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

MacKillop College is once again offering the Entertainment Books. All proceeds ($13/book) will be going directly to the Timor Leste Immersion Program for the Library at Marobo. Please have a look at home for that Year 3 recorder, an old piano/guitar book or the ukulele that are now unused. We welcome and appreciate all donations, which will be dropped off at the College Office. See the College website for more details.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS DONATION FOR MAROBO

As a College, we are seeking donations of any musical instrument for the community of Marobo. Please have a look at home for that Year 3 recorder, an old piano/guitar book or the ukulele that are now unused. Please have a look at home for that Year 3 recorder, an old piano/guitar book or the ukulele that are now unused.

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SYLVAIN DE PAUL CONFERENCE - SILLY SOCK DAY

On Monday, April 28, and staff at MacKillop came dressed in the silliest socks possible. They were armed with either a new pair of socks or a gold coin to donate. Earlier in the year, the MacKillop Vinnies Conference was asked by Young Vinnies Hobart to focus on collecting socks for the homeless. Our students collected over 300 new socks to contribute to the Winter Drive, which is an outstanding effort! Thanks to the unstoppable Vinnies Conference for leading the way, and for all contributions from our families. There will be many more warm feet this Winter because of your kindness.

PROJECT PRINCES

Last Monday, twelve Year 9 girls met with Mrs Pollard, and Eddie Rice Leaders Andrew Blackett and Brendan Web, to set up on Project Princes for the afternoon. We were also joined by ex-Mackillop students Connie Woodward, Aisling O’Driscoll and Bianca Burgess.

Project Princes is an outreach experience offered to Year 9 students, and is run by Eddie Rice Camps. The older students are buddies up with a younger child to be their friend and mentor for the afternoon. In this case, our happy task was take our younger girls shopping and turning them into princesses.

We travelled over to primary schools to collect our buddies, and by the time we were going over the bridge, you could barely hear yourself talk for all the noise. The girls were so excited to be going shopping and spending time with the MacKillop buddies. When we got to “The Top Shop” in Kingston, we led an excited bunch of 5-11 year old girls into a heaven of clothes, jewellery, toys, shoes and handbags. We spent a good two hours helping them choose items for themselves and their families and had lots of laughs in the process. We finished off the day with pizza here at MacKillop and, by the time we returned to our cars, we had had a really good day. It was a fantastic experience and we look forward to hearing about the upcoming Project Lads on the first Friday in Term 2.

TIMOR LESTE IMMERSION PROGRAM AND FUNDRAISING

The Timor Leste Immersion students are well underway with their fundraising activities. All money raised goes directly to building a Library for the Marobo community. One dollar buys a page or a brick. Please remember to return your Mothers’ Day Raffle tickets through the College Office or schoolie – so far there has been an outstanding response.

This week, we have had the privilege of tasty treats being sold at recess and lunchtime. All sweets and savouries were baked by the students, when we return to Term 2 all students are in their formal uniform and looking their best. We leave the College at 10:30 am to move to the Derwent Entertainment Centre and return for an afternoon concert at the College. Buses to and from the College will be as normal on this day.

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