VALEDICTORY EVENING

The School farewelled its Class of 2015 at the Valedictory Evening on Friday 23rd October, the day after they were farewelled by Senior School students at the Valedictory Chapel service.

As always, the evening was a splendid occasion at which students, staff and parents could meet and celebrate the achievements of the graduating students. It was a great privilege for the School to have Fiona Cameron attend the Valedictory Evening and present the inaugural Marcus Collins Memorial Award for Design named in honour of her late husband, Marcus Collins, who died this year and who was the School’s original and principal architect.

The following are extracts from my Valedictory Address:

Students, for you are the most distinguished guests this evening, parents, family and friends of our graduating students, staff, special guests, , ladies and gentlemen one and all.

It is my very great pleasure to welcome our special guests to this evening’s Valedictory Assembly. Before welcoming our guests I am certain that you would want me on behalf of you all to thank our Cafeteria staff for the splendid food that we have just enjoyed. There is something very touching about the School’s Cafeteria preparing food for the Valedictory evening, as they, like all the staff at the School in and out of its classrooms, have known and watched our graduating class for many years. Sheena, Lorna and her team, which includes many staff volunteers, are notoriously shy and reluctant to accept praise, but I encourage you all to pass on your thanks directly to the Cafeteria staff after Assembly as we enjoy dessert but I am sure if we applaud loudly enough now they may hear our thanks, so thank you to the Cafeteria staff.

I wish to begin with two special welcomes:

First, Bishop Tom Wilmot. Bishop Tom has announced his retirement as an Assistant Bishop with effect from next February. Bishop Tom has been a strong supporter of the Anglican Schools Commission and this school. I have personally valued his counsel and insight on all matters educational and Anglican and on those matters close to his heart, especially the preservation of our environment. Bishop Tom I thank you for being here this evening and wish you every happiness in the years ahead.

Traditionally it would be Mr. Ivan McLean as the Associate Principal of our Senior School who would be welcoming our special guests. However, tonight Mr. McLean is a special guest if you will, because it is his final Valedictory Evening. After many fine years of service Mr. McLean has accepted the position of Principal of the Senior and Middle Schools at the Australian International School in Kuala Lumpur. I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge the work of Mr. McLean for countless numbers of Senior School students and parents over his time at the School. Ivan, thank you, enjoy this evening. Much of what we celebrate this evening is the fruit of your labours, so to Mr. McLean thank you and good luck.

Once again, I welcome all guests and students to tonight’s Assembly. The School’s Valedictory Assembly is a highly significant occasion. For our Year 12 students, their parents and families, and all the staff of the School who have worked with our graduating students, tonight is the culmination of years of involvement with the School.
In welcoming all students, and at the risk of echoing the infamous observation of Orwell’s Animal Farm that, all are equal but some are more equal than others, it is important to recognise those graduating students who have been at the School since either Kindergarten or Pre-Primary days. At the risk of their embarrassment may I ask the following students to stand to acknowledge the fact that close to 80% of their life has been spent at the School:

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It is appropriate to use the name of our School’s highly regarded Theatre Group, Snapshot, to congratulate our graduating students on their achievements this year.

For if we do indeed take a snapshot of the year, it is exceptional to consider what has been achieved:

Our Year 12 students have participated in the School’s ski trip to New Zealand, organised their School Dance, participated in the School Production of Fame Junior, participated in the School’s first ever study tour or Western Europe in this the centenary year of ANZAC, organised successful Charity Days, contributed greatly to the School’s sporting successes which saw the School finish third in its inaugural year in the A Division of the ACC Inter-School Athletics Carnival, retain its place in the C Division of Inter-School swimming and come second out of close to seventy schools in the Inter-School Cross Country championships. As their range of School activities and participation continued to grow they saw a school grow in physical stature and reputation around them.

They have seen the School’s gymnasium be constructed and have been at the School when last month for the first time in its history the School hosted the Synod of the Anglican Diocese of Perth.

As our Year 12 students prepare to graduate, it is especially important that we recognise the support and efforts of those who have worked with the students to bring them to this important stage of their lives.

To the parents and families of Year 12 students may I thank you for all that you have done to support your children. I thank you for the trust you have given to this School to educate your children and I thank you for the countless things you have done to help your children achieve what we celebrate here tonight.

I now ask the Year 12 students to show their appreciation to their parents and families. Quite simply, you could not have made it without them. Parents, family and friends, thank you!

The other especially significant group of people to be thanked and recognised this evening is the School’s staff.

Led by Mr. McLean and Mrs. Shaw, the Senior School teachers have worked conscientiously to assist our Year 12 students, just as their Primary and Middle School staff did in the years beforehand. The graduates’ teachers have demonstrated a commitment to their work of which they should be proud. Mr. McLean and Ms. Shaw have been greatly assisted by the pastoral work of the Heads of House, Father Chris and Ms. Lomers. Mrs. Janet Fowler also deserves recognition. She cannot be here this evening, but Mrs. Fowler has for many years been a point of contact for students, parents and staff as the Senior School Receptionist. Mrs. Fowler has been appointed to be the School’s Publications and Database Officer and I wish to record my thanks for all her work in the Senior School.

I also wish to recognise the work of the School’s non-teaching staff who have done so much to assist our students—the Cafeteria staff, the Grounds Staff, the Office staff, Mr. Cartwright as Business Manager, the staff that maintain the School’s Information Technology network, Mr. Frankish who manages with the assistance of Mr. Connelly, the Allan Shaw Centre, the Uniform Shop staff, the Sub-School Receptionists and those who manage our Sick Bays. I join with Mr. McLean in wishing Mr. Neville Punch and Ms. Anita Nair well.

If I can borrow from Orwell, then I can also paraphrase Tolstoy: Every Year 12 class is unique in its own fashion and this year was no exception.
I am sure that all parents noted the instant transformation from restless adolescent to mature young adult on this significant day, because I must say the Year 12s this year have been very adult in taking responsibility for keeping their common room clean and exclusively the domain of the Year 12s. I thank the Year 12 Common Room police force of Sian Bloor, Caitlin Woollard, Lisa Briers and Abbey Healey for their efforts and Brooke White for always ensuring adequate supplies of milk.

The honour of being the first student to turn 18 this year belongs to Luke Griffiths, one of nature’s true gentlemen. And I am told no one was more delighted to gain their driver’s licence than Ellie Shepherd.

We say farewell to an exceptionally talented group of musicians, actors and performers that have delighted us all for many years:

Thank you to Brandon Gray, Sophie Todd, Brooke Henley, Caitlin Paroczai. Fergus Guggenheim, Abigail Hynes, Craig Roger, Kimberley Amos, Trevor Stockton-Rice, Emmett Lyon, Graeme Roger, Ellis Martin and Patrick McGreal— I never ceased to be astonished and delighted how these mild-mannered students became supermen and women of the stage creating many unforgettable characters and performing memorable songs and music.

This year’s departing sporting stars have been no less enduring and impressive: Our Athletics strike force led by Savannah Steinbach and Sam Rayner depart along with Marc Leeming, Matthew Colbourne, Casey-Lee Jamieson and Matt Cherrie whose love of soccer almost matches that of James Spurry and Ryan Haskayne, but whose red shoes make those worn by Dorothy in the Wizard of Oz look bland. I think of contributors like Carl Vine and Ceri Price who have literally never stopped running and swimming for the School. And Cameron Pruitt, how do you jump as high as you do?

This year we have many nominees for the L’Oreal Hair Award— it has been a year of fringes, coifs, curls, bobs, slickbacks and product: Naturally in these metrosexual times all the nominees are young men:

William Hill, Mark McKane, who Mrs. May tells me had a comb at the ready at the School swimming sports to use as soon as he emerged from the water, Jacob Wall, Kyle Hodson and Lewis Downie are all worthy contenders, but the winner for not having a hair out of place all year is Joshua Pannizza.

We will also miss Joshua’s artistic skills along with those of Cara Robertson and Rani Smith.

As compensation for Mark McKane he does receive the United Nations promotional of international understanding award. When he was explaining to me last year the political pedigree of his relations in Liverpool he made reference to my anti is actually English for my auntie.

The haute couture award goes to Natalie Corns— I was away for the Year 12 Dance, but am told Natalie’s dress was the epitome of elegance and glamour.

This year’s graduates are exceptionally well mannered, but some deserve special mention as joint winners of the Mr. & Mrs. Manners award:

Congratulations to Janet Sida, Ceri Price, Bryce Adams, Ryan Cutfield, Aaron Jones, Hannes Espach, Hayleigh Inkster, Daniel Harris, Chloe Smith, Chapel Prefect Madeline Walter and Chanel Scott. If Chanel will forgive me I remember the delight at enrolling her in Year 7 and when her mother asked what Form Number she was to be in, I said “ well it has to be No.5 of course.”

The world would be nowhere without its eternal optimists and thankfully there are many graduating tonight led by Keanan Harris, John Healey, Ruby Tedesco and Caylee Morreira.

The charm and smile that could light up a thousand solar panels award had a number of contenders this year, but the pink bikini that Dheshan wore to the House Swimming Carnival.

The unflappable award goes to Captain Cool Matthew Sellwood who displayed limitless sangfroid throughout the year in a narrow points decision over Johanne Lawrie, Mina Hanna and Nathan Crowther.

Matthew along with Caitlin, Brooke and Mark were part of an impressive student leadership team who amply demonstrated why they were selected for their roles.

The conviction of my opinions award is jointly shared by Georgia Gibbons, James Purchase, Alana McLennan and Ellora Yates.

The outstanding contribution to technical work in this Allan Shaw Centre is awarded to Lewis Greathead. James also has been awarded the handshake of conviction award.

The year group has been fortunate to have had a very studious group within it and I trust their influence will be especially pronounced in the weeks ahead: Jade Mawby has led the way in the humanities and we have a group of budding scientists and engineers in Robert Darby, Loic Baptista, Luke Charlton, Alexander Watt and Todd Callaghan— they have inspired many hardworkers including Eleanor Johnson, Georgia Kelly, Lucy Burns, Ben Jones, Jarrod Harriman, Swapnil Singh, Alicia Nelson, Erin McStravick, Sanil Shah, Anesha Siddiqui and Karlyann Tyler.
The OMG “did I really do that award” goes to Tahneesha Chapman, Alicia Harring, Sam Leslie and Jessica Purchase when they realised they had broken the School record when winning the 4 x 100 metre athletics relay for Durack.

And I have to say if you ever want anything organised and need people who stop at nothing to contribute as much as they can contact Jessica Purchase and she will bring along her team of Harriet Slater, Alec Roberts, Penny Hinds, Lisa Silcock, Dana Birch and Rowan Courts.

The Distance Education award for daily travels is awarded to Jessica Morck. The inseparable friendship award goes to Brayden Taylor and Nathan Vuletta.

The do you want the latest pair of hip sports shoes award and services to e-line shoe shopping goes to Brayden Luksa, Nem Zivanovic and Taylor Cooper.

And of course there are the hidden talents and interests awards:

To Ben Bell for his State representation in Netball
To Megan Gaske for her interest in photography especially of moto-cross, a sport in which Daniel Berry excels
To James Stevens who may well be the next Jason Day
To Paige Kiernan- our resident lover of cats
To Tamika Walker- the baker of the best brownies
To Alex Carter and Joshua Taylor who between them can successfully fish and spearfish every marine species known to man
To Roger Jordan who is highly skilled in the art of animation
To Luke Healey for having the most diverse library of interesting books

To Jared Mellor, a basketballer of note

All in their way have been the essence of quiet achievers as have been Rachel Jones, Kelan Drumm, Bryan Pollard, Alex Timpson, Joseph McBain, Holly Wilson, Chloe Smith, Kayleigh Bower and Josh Butler.

I wish tonight to reassure the Year 12s that you are well placed to make your mark on the world.

A true story if I may. I have chosen it because it has, for me, irresistible political and historical connections and reminds us that one of the great myths of our time is that our best days as a nation have already been.

The story is about a prestigious boys school in Sydney called Riverview College. The date is the early 1950s. A young student at the time was Robert Hughes. Robert Hughes became one of the world’s most renowned art historians and critics and wrote the wonderful history of early modern Australia, The Fatal Shore. Now for the connections. Robert Hughes’ niece is Lucy Turnbull, wife of the Prime Minister. Our previous Prime Minister, Mr. Abbott, also attended Riverview.

Robert Hughes tells the story that one morning he was sitting in his Mathematics class and students noticed that a cow had escaped from the School Dairy and was munching the roses in their teacher’s rose garden situated outside the classroom. The boys said “Father Gerard the cow is eating your roses”. He responded “Boys stay here and continue your work. He then opened his desk drawer, took out his pistol, walked outside, shot the cow dead, and returned to finish the lesson.

Too many people hear this story and wistfully wish that the contemporary world could be similar: when authority was clear, when right was right, when problems were quickly solved.

But was the world so straightforward and uncomplicated then? In the early 1950s in Australia women still did not have equal pay, aborigines were still not counted as citizens, homosexuality was a crime in all States, children contracted polio, people were dying from toxic peasouper fogs in London, and the world was struggling to avoid a nuclear Armageddon as the Cold War took hold. The scourge of oppressive communism had created the Iron Curtain across Europe.

My point is this. Every generation has its social problems and challenges. There is no heaven or heavenly time on this earth. However, I truly believe that the graduates here tonight are better equipped than generations ago to manage the problems that bedevil us.

The diversity and range of your education has been extraordinary. Your maturity, confidence and understanding of the world is impressive. Most importantly, I believe that you are aware of the importance of Christian values that remain as pertinent and necessary as ever. You are living in a world where there is a greater understanding of the rights of all peoples than at any other time in its history. But be wary of the two great paradoxes of our time.

The first alas, is something we may not be able to fix –namely that as our television screens become bigger, the quality of programmes is declining. I laugh when I hear the expression “free to air”- we should be paid to watch the dross that masquerades as entertainment.
The second and more serious paradox is that despite the growing population of the world too many people believe that they are the only person alive and that the world must revolve around them.

It is a condition which I have called the deity complex which sees an individual behave as if their time, priorities and demands are more precious than anyone else’s.

Let me remind the graduates that there is one deity and the rest of us are flawed and imperfect human beings.

Remembering that, being aware of the needs of others, understanding the worth of every individual and the power of God’s Grace, love and forgiveness will be central to your happiness.

To the Year 12s I congratulate you again on this evening’s milestone. I know you will all make valuable contributions to the endless task that the Ancient Greeks said was the essence of humanity: “To tame the savageness of man and make gentle the life of this world.”

Godspeed to you all.

INCEPTION OF JUNIOR SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

On Wednesday 21st October, the Junior School’s Orchestra was inducted. This is a wonderful development of the musical programme of the School which will undoubtedly have many benefits for many students, not just those who are members of the Orchestra.

Mr. Justin Tonti, the School’s Head of Music, conveyed the excitement of the Orchestra’s inception when he wrote to all staff about the event:

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INDONESIAN STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

There have been several new faces around the school in the past week and a half. Four students and one teacher from Margie School in Surabaya, East Java (Indonesia) have been involved in the activities at Peter Moyes. The visiting students are teacher:

Natasya Adimarsetio
Maria Listya
Josephine Valencia Wibowo
Laurentius Ardie Martono
Sri Edawati (Teacher)

Margie School is a Sister School of Peter Moyes Anglican community School and this group represents the third cultural exchange to the School. It has been a very busy 12 days so far that has included travel from all the way up in Yanchep down to Katanning, from Perth City across to the Swan Valley. Activities have included interacting with Australian animals, visiting historic sites, bowling, shopping, visiting an operational farm, visiting Scitech, participating in normal classes at Peter Moyes and helping with Indonesian classes. The Margie School students appear to be thoroughly enjoying themselves and the families who are hosting them have already had many interesting and enjoyable experiences and opportunities to learn about the customs and culture of Australia’s near neighbour.

The School would like to publically record its thanks to the homestay families who have given much time, energy and a place in their home to host the visiting students. They have been outstanding ambassadors to the hospitality of Australian families and our School. Without the interest and generosity of such families these programmes which are beneficial to many within the School would not be possible. Keep an eye on the next edition of the Newsletter for further details of this year’s Cultural Exchange Programme!
PRESENTATION OF ACC LETTERS TO SPORTING STARS!

The highest award that a student can receive for sporting achievement from the ACC, which is the governing body that conducts Inter-School sporting competitions, is to be awarded ACC Letters. To be awarded ACC letters a student must have been selected in the ACC Honorary All Star Team for either Swimming, Cross-Country and/or Athletics for four consecutive years. To be selected for the ACC Honorary All Star Team a student must be ranked either first or second in Division 1 of their event across all students competing in the A-F Grade ACC Carnivals.

This year the School had its first athlete, Savannah Steinbach (Year 12) achieve this feat for her performances in Cross-Country. The School is delighted that Savannah has now also achieved this recognition for Athletics.

In addition Liam Van Der Spuy (Year 10) and Delaney Smith (Year 10) have both been awarded ACC Letters for their respective performances in Athletics.

Savannah, Liam and Delaney were presented with their awards at the School at an Assembly on 15th October by Mr. Kyle March, the Secretary of the ACC.

Many congratulations to this trinity of exceptional athletes!

REMEMBRANCE DAY

In this the centenary year of the ANZAC landings, Remembrance Day on 11th November has an added poignancy.

Every year the School assists the Quinns Rocks RSL Sub-Branch by selling poppies for remembrance from each of the Sub-School reception areas.

I encourage students, staff and parents to support this supremely worthy cause.

Julian Dowse
NIPSSA Athletics Carnival 2015.

The 2015 NIPSSA Athletics Carnival took place at McGillivray Oval on Thursday 22\textsuperscript{nd} and Friday 23\textsuperscript{rd} October. Day One events included the running of the 800m and 400m, alongside the Long Jump, Turbo Javelin and Shot Put. The 200m, 100m, Relays and Team Games all took place on Day 2.

A superb start to the event saw the Year 3 team dominate the 800m, securing three first and one second placings. This fine start was supported by a number of other excellent performances and by the end of Day Two Peter Moyes students were decorated from head to toe in ribbons.

The students should be congratulated on the courage and determination that they displayed. Some exceptional performances resulted in the team finishing in third position overall. This is the first time the School has placed in the top Schools at this event.

The following students represented the School.

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**Matt Senior**  
**Primary Sports Co-ordinator**

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Ladies’ Late Lunch 2015

On September the 23rd, the Year 9 girls participated in an event which has in recent years become an almost rite of passage as the young women transition from Middle to Senior School; the Ladies’ Late Lunch. This hour in the afternoon provided the perfect time for female students to gather with both their peers and up to two significant women in their lives to be inspired and motivated by the story of a positive female role model within the community.

This year, we had the privilege to share the day with our guest speaker, Delia Pascua-McGlew, a mother who is not only a student studying for her doctorate, but also the founder of a school in the Philippines. She told us of her experiences growing up and how her life now is better and more fulfilling than she had ever imagined. Whilst she is thrilled to be where she is today, she also stressed how proud she is of her humble beginnings.

The main message we think we all should take from Delia is that both education and kindness should be valued highly by us all as one without another renders us unable to achieve our potential.

This afternoon was made largely enjoyable due to the efforts of the Café staff, who provided us with delicious bite-sized savouries and fancy cakes, which were thoroughly appreciated as well as presenting such a lovely looking room. In addition to this, we also give our thanks to Mr Frankish and Mr Connolly who helped the PowerPoint presentation run without any technical difficulties.

This afternoon was one which we will never forget and one which we will reflect on during our time in Senior School.

Chloe & Jasmine Saunders

As requested by parents, Delia has provided the following information:

OzPhil College of Cavite, Inc. is a college that uses the Western Australian Curriculum and currently has 45 students enrolled. Eleven of those students come from poor families and the school provides food, uniforms, school supplies and a laptop. Continued donations will make a huge difference to the lives of poor Filipinos.

Delia is also raising funds to continue building the College through the Ozcrowd website below:


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MUSIC

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Justin Tonti
Head of Music
REACH – GENZ COMPETITION

In Term Two the Reach Year 10 English Class were asked to write Letters to the Editor that highlighted issues that they were concerned about in their community. These letters were then entered in *The West Australian Genz Competition* which encouraged students from around the state to have their say about the world they live in and life in general.

Liam Bruff’s Letter to the Editor was selected as a winner. He will be awarded a cash prize and has received an exclusive invitation to attend Newspaper House, to see how news stories are selected and how the daily newspaper is produced. Liam joined a select group of 17 students on Sunday, October 25, to look at the processes, careers and technology at the new Seven West Media ‘super desk’ and help decide which stories will make into the Monday, October 26 edition of *The West Australian*.

Congratulations to Liam and to the Reach Year 10 English Class for their enthusiastic participation in the *Genz Competition*.

PHILOSOTHON COMPETITION

A group of students selected from Years 8, 9, 10 and 11 recently participated in The Philosothon competition. The Philosothon provides young people with an opportunity to reflect deeply on philosophical and ethical issues fostering good critical thinking and communication skills. Schools entered teams of 5 students, one student from each Year level (8-11). This year 21 schools participated. During the evening there were four 30 minute “Community of Inquiries” for each student. There were twelve groups of nine students meeting at any one time. All twelve groups were discussing the same topic and then moving on to the next topic after 30 minutes. Some of the questions were ‘Is torture ever permissible?’, ‘Do animals have minds?’, ‘Under what conditions is it justifiable to disobey the law?’ and ‘Given that roughly 50% of the population is female should political institutions be required to have 50% female representation?’

This was our fourth year competing against a variety of schools from Western Australia. Our group were nervous and apprehensive, but after the first discussion they clearly enjoyed the experience. After the event, the group felt that they did well in their discussions.

Ross Godwin (Year 11) achieved 5th place out of twenty schools, Banafsheh Sheriff (Year 10) achieved 13th place, Roxanna Sheriff (Year 9) achieved 9th place and Amy Croker (Year 8) achieved 10th place. The students are commended for their dedication to the competition and offering their spare time to prepare for such an important and challenging event.

*Rebecca Delaney*

Head of Reach – Year 7 - 12
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World Teachers’ Day went almost unnoticed last week and was officially celebrated on October 30th. Many of us will remember the teachers who made a difference in our lives and World Teachers’ Day is an opportunity to remember the teachers and the lessons that inspired you.

‘The teaching profession contributes more to the future of our society than any other single profession’ – John Wooden, Head Coach UCLA.

I also believe that teaching is a most privileged career to embark on in shaping the lives of others. What is most significant is that we can make a real difference in our community. We are able to engage, connect and embrace learning as an exciting way to create experiences that can support our students and offer them future opportunities.

Write 4 Fun – 2015 Schools Writing Competition
Our Primary School received a Certificate of Excellence and have been recognised for our outstanding writing entries. Of the 9100 entries received ours were ranked in the top 10%.

Indonesian Restaurant for Year 5
Last Thursday, the students in Year 5 had a marvellous time eating and ordering Indonesian food in their mock Indonesian Restaurant. Staff served as ‘pelayan’ (waiters) along with 3 volunteers from Year 9 and the 4 exchange students from Surabaya, Java. Our visitors assisted in helping create an authentic experience and of course the food prepared by our School Café was amazing.

Forthcoming Events:

Year 3 Sleepover on November 6th.
This week we have the Year 3 sleepover and the Year 3 team having been working hard to ensure that the sleepover will be a wonderfully positive experience for all the children to remember.

Incursion celebrating Remembrance Day and the Story of Anzac on November 12th.
To celebrate the Centenary of ANZAC, we are delighted to have a visiting production come to the School. The show is dedicated to preserving the history of the ANZAC, drawing on themes such as mateship and multiculturalism. Through poetry, animals, student interaction and comedy the story of ANZAC will be told. This is a timely reminder of the spirit of ANZAC so close to Remembrance Day.

Donations of Children’s Clothing Required
A parent in our School community is requesting donations for Children’s clothing for the Bandyup Women’s Prison Family Centre. They are in short supply and will leave a box outside the Reach room for donations of children’s clothing for the next two weeks.

Some Primary Directions Of Where We Are Heading
There is a growing band of evidence that suggests that children learn through active involvement in the learning process. We have much to consider to ensure that we are able to meet the needs of our students and develop good principles of practice that support the key issues surrounding lifelong learning. We are starting to review ways to create active learning environments and a curriculum for excellence that allows our students to learn by doing, thinking and exploring through quality interaction, intervention and relationships.

‘Fascination and engagement leads to learning’

Roderick Wood
Associate Principal of the Primary School
CALLING ALL YEAR 9 AND YEAR 10 STUDENTS

Are you:

- Returning to PMACS in 2016;
- Good with computers;
- Interested in helping with the set-up of Year 10 laptops;
- Free on the 20\textsuperscript{th}, 21\textsuperscript{st} and 22\textsuperscript{nd} January 2016;
- Wanting to fulfil your PMACS Community Service Hours requirement;
- Able to take advice from others who potentially have more experience than you but may be younger than you.

Mr Todd needs approximately 20 interested students to help set up the Year 10 notebooks for next year.

If you answer yes to all of the above, then give your name to Mr Todd by 13\textsuperscript{th} November.

Selections will be made soon afterwards.

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Co-curricular Programme—Term 4

3\textsuperscript{rd} December – Term 4 Co-Curricular activities conclude.

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PARENTS AND FRIENDS

P & F MEETING DATES 2015

Meetings begin at 7.00pm and are held in the T & E Rooms entered via the Waves Café.
Tuesday 17\textsuperscript{th} November 2015 – General Meeting

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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USI Verification
Our RTO’s have been verifying USI’s and some have been identified as having an issue. This may simply be a matter of names, date of birth or USI’s not matching data in their system.

Should we contact you over the coming month regarding an issue with your son’s/daughter’s USI. Could you please contact 13 38 73 to rectify the situation.

Certificate II in Education Support
Are you passionate about working with children and supporting their learning? This Certificate II in Education Support will prepare you for a career in the classroom providing the essential skills and knowledge required to support students under the direction of the classroom teacher.

You will learn how to assist students with their learning and development, implement learning programmes and gain introductory knowledge of working with children with special needs.

Topics include:
- Behaviour management
- Classroom organisation
- Professional skills
- Supporting literacy
- Supporting mathematics

Lighting:
Students must be completing Year 11 or 12 in 2019. This course contributes to your WACE score.

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WEST COAST INSTITUTE
Carols
And
Nativity
26th November 2015
5 pm – 7 pm
Primary School Oval
BYO Picnic
**CHAPLAIN’S CHAT**

Dear friends,

One of the most popular singers at the moment is Florence of the band “Florence and the Machine”. Her song, *You Got The Love* has these words:

“Sometimes I feel like throwing my hands up in the air
I know I can count on you
Sometimes I feel like saying "Lord I just don’t care"
But you’ve got the love I need To see me through

Sometimes it seems that the going is just too rough
And things go wrong no matter what I do
Now and then it seems that life is just too much
But you’ve got the love I need to see me through

When food is gone you are my daily meal
When friends are gone I know my saviour’s love is real
Your love is real.”

Florence is a Christian, as are all her band members, and she says that she has found peace in her faith in God. But this peace does not magically wipe away all pain or sorrow.

Sometimes we learn the preciousness of life in very hard ways, as in an earthquake or flood. People like us, full of life and potential, die tragically. In the shock, sadness and confusion that follows, many ask, “Why couldn’t it have been different? I wish I could just turn back time and everything was all like it was before!”

Many wanted Jesus to be a super being; a conquering hero who could perform dramatic signs and wipe out the enemies of his people, as well as all pain and suffering. Instead, he came as one of us: filled with the same emotions and fragility; open to times of anger, grief, sadness, doubt, confusion, uncertainty and impatience, but also displaying our same capacity for love, generosity, forgiveness, compassion, gentleness, wisdom, hope and perseverance.

We are marvellous and fragile creatures. Life is fragile and passing, but we can have a trust in things eternal and in eternity; we can trust that this fragile life will go on - on this earth and into eternity.

Best Wishes
Father Chris Beal

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**WHAT’S ON AT ST CECILIA’S**

(64 Quinns Road, Mindarie)

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**Services**

Tuesday, 08.45am – Morning Prayer  
Wednesday, 10.00am – Midweek Communion  
Saturday, 5.30pm – Holy Communion  
Sunday, 7.30am – Holy Communion  
Sunday, 9.00am – Family Communion  
Sunday, 11.30am – Sudanese Holy Communion  
2nd and 4th Sundays monthly, 11.00am – Holy Communion at Merriwa RAAF Village Chapel and Tuart Lodge  
1st and 3rd Sundays monthly, 10.30am – Healing Circle  
2nd and 4th Sundays monthly, 10.30am – Prayer Circle

**Coffee Morning at St Cecilia’s**

Everyone (male/female, with/without children) is most welcome to join us for a cuppa, light refreshments and chat every Thursday morning between 10am and 12 noon.
Uniform Shop

With the end of this School year rapidly approaching, avoid the lengthy January queues and purchase your Uniform requirements for 2016 early.

To assist you in planning for Term 1, 2016, please find below a list of additional requirements for some Year groups.

**Students moving from Kindergarten to Pre Primary in 2016**
- Library Bag

**Students moving from Pre Primary to Year 1 in 2016**
- Art Apron

**Students moving from Year 2 to Year 3 in 2016**
- Formal Summer Uniform
  - Girls - Primary School dress and hybrid hat
  - Boys - Tailored shorts, leather belt, emerald green primary polo shirt and hybrid hat
- Sports Uniform
  - Girls and Boys - School sports top and shorts
- House Shirt
- Sports Bag
- Chair Bag

**Female students moving from Year 9 to Year 10 in 2016**
- Senior School Summer dress

If you have any questions, please contact the Uniform Shop on 9304 5544 or email sasmith@petermoyes.wa.edu.au. Our opening hours during term time are Tuesday and Thursday 8.00am - 12.00pm.

The Uniform Shop will be closing before the end of term this year for stock take and relocation. The last day of opening for 2015 will be Thursday 26th November 2015.

**JANUARY 2016 SCHOOL HOLIDAY OPENING TIMES**
- Monday 18th January 2016 8am to 12pm
- Thursday 21st January 2016 8am to 12pm
- Thursday 28th January 2016 9am to 1pm AND 3pm to 7pm