We welcome Ms Donella Brown to our staff as Aboriginal Liaison Officer. Ms Brown is no stranger to our College. Ms Brown has conducted a program initiated by the Edmund Rice Centre, Mirrabooka, to support immigrant youth with literacy. Ms Brown who was born and raised in the Kimberleys is an experienced educator in Aboriginal education in a number of teaching, administration and consultancy roles, most notably as a Principal of Clontarf Aboriginal College.

Ms Brown’s role at the College includes responsibilities of assisting:
- Aboriginal students with learning and communicating with teachers.
- Aboriginal families communicating with College staff.
- With introducing Aboriginal families to the College community, helping to increase our number of Aboriginal students.
- The College with recognising significant annual events such as ‘Sorry Day’ and NAIDOC Week.
- Teachers with the embedding of Aboriginal issues in our curriculum.

The College is fortunate to have the assistance from Catholic Education Western Australia to fund the role of the Aboriginal Liaison Officer.

**Wonderland**

Irene McCormack Catholic College Performing Arts Department are excited to announce that tickets for the College Production of *Wonderland* are now on sale!

Tickets are $15 each with performances held on the following dates and times:
- Tuesday, 17th May 12.00pm
- Wednesday, 18th May 7.00pm
- Thursday, 19th May 7.00pm
- Friday, 20th May 7.00pm

Please purchase your tickets via [www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com) and search for Irene McCormack or Wonderland. If you are not able to purchase online, the College Reception is available to take your bookings.

Secure your tickets now! We look forward to seeing you there!

**Miss Kylie Malam**
Head of Performing Arts

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| Yanchep Parish      | St Simon Peter Catholic Church| Fr. Augustine Puthota  | 9561 2172 | stsimon@westnet.com.au          |
|                     |                               |                        |        | Saturday 6.00pm (Vigil) at Yanchep Community Centre.  
|                     |                               |                        |        | Sunday 8.00am Guilderton Community Hall.  
|                     |                               |                        |        | Sunday 9.45am, 33 Gingin Road, Lancelin.  |
| Ocean Reef Parish   |                               | Fr. Dariusz Krzyształowicz | 9300 4885 |  |
Year 11 Retreat

On Thursday, 3rd March the Year 11 cohort travelled to Swanleigh Camps & Conference Centre in the Swan Valley for their Retreat, which focused on the concept of ‘Mindful Leadership’ and the sense of ‘Thriving’ in their daily lives.

Students were encouraged to use wisdom, self-awareness and self-knowledge, and to be aware of their values. By becoming familiar with the idea of ‘Well Being’, students were presented with various strategies to assist them with the rigors of daily life as a student, but also as a young person dealing with life in general.

The Year 11 students participated with enthusiasm and were particularly inclusive of their peers throughout the day. The day concluded with Mass, celebrated by Fr Robert, who congratulated the students on the way in which they responded. Thank you to Fr Robert for joining us in the Swan Valley and to Mr Swindells for preparing the retreat.

The College would like to congratulate the Year 11 students on a wonderful attendance.

Year 11 River Cruise

In the evening after Retreat, the Year 11 students arrived at Barrack Street Jetty looking amazing. We boarded the MV River Bells and cruised up-stream on the Swan River. We manoeuvered into Claisebrook, journeyed past the new stadium and finished the evening with the surprise of cruising into Elizabeth Quay.

The crew looked after us extremely well and the DJ entertained the group, who danced all evening. The atmosphere among the students and their teachers was truly wonderful. The River Cruise celebration was the perfect conclusion to a successful day and a time that the students will take great memories from.

Thank you to the Care Group Teachers and Ms Bonfiglio for their efforts in supporting both events.

Mrs Gillian Pearce
Dean of Year 11
Did you know 1 in 3 Australians will need a blood transfusion in their lifetime, yet only 1 in 30 donate? For many people, blood donors are their lifeline.

In 2016, Irene McCormack Catholic College continues to be a part of the Red Cross Blood Group Donation Program, Red25, and we encourage you to support this program.

The invitation to donate blood is open to those who are over 16 and who meet the criteria of eligibility. A number of times throughout the year, a small group of senior students and teachers will visit the Edgewater Donor Centre on Joondalup Drive. It only takes 5-8 minutes to donate this lifesaving gift. Every donation can help save three lives!

If you are already a donor and would like to join our Red 25 Group, please visit https://www.donateblood.com.au/red25/join-group and follow the prompts to join Irene McCormack Catholic College’s Red 25 Group.

For first time donors please visit https://www.donateblood.com.au/red25 for further information or email Miss Cherie Milne at milne.cherie@imcc.wa.edu.au.
Through Red 25 we are not only saving lives, but we are working alongside other organisations to achieve 25% of all blood donations needed in Australia. We are proud to be supporting this program and we hope you will be too!

Miss Cherie Milne
Christian Service Coordinator

OLNA Week 7

OLNA continues next week for a number of students in Year 10 and a small number in Year 11 and 12.

The dates are as follows:
Monday, 14th March - Reading at 8.40am-9.30am
Wednesday, 16th March - Numeracy at 8.40am-9.30am

All students will need to ensure their laptop is fully charged and that they arrive on time for the assessment.

The families of those students who will be undertaking OLNA have been contacted via the respective Dean of Year with details about what is needed and access to the practice website.

Year 12 Student Box

The student box website is a useful resource for Year 12 ATAR students.

You can sign onto different forums, groups and access resources for example:
- Groups such as those interested in UMAT - http://www.studentbox.com.au/group/umat

Mr Andrew Billingsley
Dean of Year 12

Assessments Matter

As part of the teaching and learning process, we need to be sure that students learn what they need to, in order to be effective and safe in whichever field they will be working. Assessment is the instrument we use to assure ourselves, the students, the school, the workforce and society.

Nothing matters more to students than assessment and its outcomes. The type, timing and amount of assessment are the primary considerations for students when approaching their studies. There are two types of assessment. Formative Assessment provides students with feedback on how they are going. This can be done verbally or in a written format. The second form of assessment is the process of gathering evidence to make a judgment about a student’s level of performance. This is known as Summative and can include a test or exam.

In designing assessments, all teachers ensure that they are fair and just, and provide all students with an equal opportunity to demonstrate the extent of their learning. The type of assessment used must be suitable and valid for "what" it is that is being assessed and it must be reliable.
This means that it is an accurate and precise form of measurement. Like all curriculum, the quality of assessment needs to be authentic and transparent, that is, that the expectations are clear for students and reflective of what occurs in the natural context of what they are learning.

If you are uncertain about an assessment, please contact your child’s Classroom teacher or Head of Learning Area to explain the assessment given in class.

Ms Nancy Bonfiglio
Deputy Principal

WA School Sport Soccer Trials

Soccer students in Years 11 and 12 are invited to trial for the WA State School soccer team. The 2016 Championship is being played in Perth and the Australian School representative team will tour to the UK to play.

If you are a high level soccer player (ideally Glory or NPL clubs) in Years 11 or 12, please see Mr Stefanoff or the Soccer noticeboard as soon as possible for details on the fast approaching trials.

After School Soccer Training & Match Days

This year Irene McCormack Catholic College will have eight soccer teams in both the CAS and School Sports WA (SSWA) Competitions. Teams will comprise of Soccer Academy players with top-up players being required for some teams. One afternoon commitment is required each week, either for training or a game. All Academy players are required to commit to this one afternoon per week.

After school training for our teams will commence in Week 7. Training is from 3.15pm-4.30pm. The first round of matches will take place in Week 3 of Term 2.

The days for each team are listed in the table below:

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We are looking forward to another highly successful year in the Soccer Academy in 2016.

Mr Damian Stefanoff
Soccer Academy Coordinator
Careers

Students in Years 10-12
The upcoming Australian Defence Force information sessions are as follows:
- 17th March - Engineering information session, Perth 7.00pm.
- 6th April - Officer Entry/RMC information evening, Perth 6.30pm.
- 14th April - Women in Defence information session, Perth 6.30pm.
- 20th April - Defence Careers session, Perth 6.30pm.
For further information or to register please email cptwa@dfr.com.au with your name, email address and contact number. The Perth centre address is Level 7, 66 St George’s Terrace, Perth.

Year 12 TISC Update
- The Year 12 powerpoint is currently being updated and will be available mid-March under downloads at https://www.tisc.edu.au.
- The latest Year 12 admissions guide revised on 1st March is available at: https://www.tisc.edu.au/static-fixed/guide/slar-2017.pdf. This is updated regularly as the universities may add new courses, delete courses or change pre-requisites.

For details of all other career events, please refer to the March Career Newsletter, which was emailed to parents and sent to students via direct message last week.

Ms Chris Tonkin
Career Counsellor

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop has run smoothly for the start of the term with the exceptional help from our volunteer mums and grandma, who have given up their time to help. I wish to thank all of them very much.

The College blazers have arrived. Blazers are compulsory for all students in Terms 2 and 3. Winter uniform is to be worn at the start of Term 2 for all students.

Our winter stock has also arrived. Layby of winter stock is available if required. It is recommended that all new students visit the Uniform Shop to check sizes of the winter uniform before purchase.

Winter uniform consists of:
Boys - trousers, plain black school belt, tie, dark grey socks and summer white short-sleeved shirt.
Girls - skirt, white short-sleeved shirt, tie and summer socks or tights.

Girls must wear tights with the winter uniform on all formal occasions.

You may purchase jumpers, scarves, tights or a shower jacket from the Uniform Shop. Only jumpers (not sport jackets) may be worn with the winter uniform if cold. Tights are $9 and scarves are $15.

The Uniform Shop will be open late on the following nights for blazer collection and for winter items:
Extended Trading (in addition to our normal trading hours)
Tuesday, 22nd March 4.00pm to 6.00pm
Thursday, 31st March 2.00pm to 6.00pm
Tuesday, 5th April 4.00pm to 6.00pm
Thursday, 7th April 11.00am to 1.30pm (last day of trading for the term)
Term trading hours are:
Tuesday noon-4.00pm
Thursday 8.00am-11.00am

Please note the Uniform Shop will not be open on Easter Tuesday, 29th March.

Mrs Lyn Waite
Uniform Shop Coordinator

St Andrew’s Parish News

**Stations of the Cross**
Every Friday of Lent
6.30pm - Evening Prayer of the Church
7.00pm - Stations of the Cross

**Reconciliation**
Every Saturday of Lent
11.00am-12 noon
5.00pm-5.30pm

**Easter Raffle**
The St Andrew's Fundraising Committee will be running an Easter raffle. Tickets will be on sale at each mass for $2 each or 3 for $5. Any donations of Easter eggs or other Easter paraphernalia would be greatly appreciated, and can be left in the foyer.

St Andrew's Youth – new email address saintandrewsyouthclarkson@hotmail.com

Community News

Sacred Heart College 50th Anniversary Dinner Dance
Saturday, 21st May 2016 at Joondalup Resort.
Tickets are $135 each and can be purchased via the link of the College website:
http://www.sacredheart.wa.edu.au

Mr Robert Marshall
Principal