Welcome Back to Term 2

Welcome back for Term 2. The term has a number of significant events. Irene McCormack Day takes place on 13th May. On this day we commemorate the 25th Anniversary of Sr. Irene’s death on the 21st May 1991. We have mid-Year examinations for all students. The Blessing and Opening of our new building with Physical and Outdoor Education, Music and Dance facilities will be held on the 30th June.

We welcome back to the College Mrs Amanda Keats, Mrs Vicki Wagenaar, Mrs Gillian Pearce and Ms Chris Tonkin who have been on well-deserved long service leave. We also welcome Mrs Anne Young who will take on Mrs Maria Gamble’s classes.

Parent Student Teacher Interviews & Parent Teacher Online

The Parent-Student-Teacher interviews will be held on Tuesday, 3rd May in allocated rooms at the College from 1.30pm-7.30pm for all students. Students will have normal classes at the College until 12.55pm and then can return home at the start of lunch. Should your child need to remain at school in the afternoon, a classroom will be provided for students to do some quiet work.

Interim Reports may also request a parent, student and teacher meeting. These are available for all students regardless of achievement. It is an expectation that your child attends the interview if a booking is made. Students attending the interviews are expected to be in College uniform.

To access the bookings, go to: https://bookings.parentteacheronline.com.au?school=bez9at

You will be able to press the Icon “Get Pin” by entering your email address. A logon and pin will then be sent to your email address.

If you are having any difficulties, please contact our IT Network Office at the College on 9562 2400.

Parish Weekend Mass Times

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ANZAC Assembly

Anzac Day commemorates the service and sacrifices of Australians who fought in war for our country. The 25\textsuperscript{th} April commemorates the Gallipoli landing. The Anzacs, through their determination and tenacity earned themselves a reputation as great soldiers. This reputation was continued by our forces in successive wars.

This year marks the 50\textsuperscript{th} Anniversary of the Battle of Long Tan. On 18\textsuperscript{th} August 1966, 108 Australian and New Zealand soldiers fought a pitched battle against over 2,000 North Vietnamese and Viet Cong troops in a rubber plantation not far from the small village of Long Tan. The Australians from the 6\textsuperscript{th} Royal Australian Regiment prevailed, but only after fighting in torrential rain for four hours. They were nearly overrun, but were saved by a timely ammunition resupply, accurate artillery fire from the nearby Australian base, and the arrival of reinforcements by armoured personnel carrier. Intelligence estimates suggest that D Company fought off some ten times their number in these four to five hours of unrelenting close quarter and bloody fighting; an incredible performance. This epic battle reinforced traits for which Australian soldiers have become world renowned: for their courage and determination, mateship and teamwork, leadership and tenacity, compassion and humour. It further reinforced our international reputation as a skilled exponent of the profession of arms.

On Tuesday, 26\textsuperscript{th} April students and staff celebrated Anzac Day at a whole College assembly. Despite the cold weather, the service paid tribute to the men and women who bravely sacrificed their lives for Australia with parents, teachers, students and guests in attendance.

Students from the Year 9 Civics and Citizenship class shared some extracts from their Vietnam War research assessments and we were very fortunate to have our guest speaker, Mr Peter Lofdahl, President of the Quinns Rock RSL, share some real life Vietnam war experiences with us.

A big thank you to Mrs Adele Baker and the Social Science Department for organising this event, Miss Malam and the Music Department, Mr Swindells, and Mrs McGinley for her poignant performance of the Last Post.

Lest we forget

Mrs Adele Baker
Head of Society & Environment

Mother’s Day

To celebrate Mother’s Day, the College would like to invite the Mothers of our Year 8 and 9 students to a morning tea.

Please arrive at the College at 9.15am (no earlier) and proceed to the undercroft where your son or daughter will serve you morning tea.

If the weather is unpleasant we will convene in the Library.
As per the email forwarded to parents this week, please complete for catering purposes the reply slip to indicate your attendance and return to Care Group Teachers no later than Monday, May 2nd.

Mr Kevin O’Brien
Head of Religious Education

Harmony Day

A big thank you to Ivan, Stefan and Océanne, the three Language students who, at the Harmony Day assembly, beautifully said the Hail Mary prayer in their language of origin: Croatian, Greek and French.

Mademoiselle Cat Harrison
Languages Coordinator

College Photos

The College photos for students in Years 7 to 12 will take place at the College on Friday, 6th May by Fotoworks. Care Group photos will be taken in the Library and individual photos will be taken in the Drama Room.

All students have been given photo envelopes by Care Group Teachers. All students need to bring the envelopes with them on Friday, 6th May, even if they may not be purchasing photos. Please see the Front Office if you need family photo packages.

Students are reminded to wear their full winter uniform including blazer and tights for girls. Please ensure uniform and hair is neat and tidy as per the College Uniform Policy on Page 10 of the Student Planner.

There will be no practical PE lessons on this day. Please see the student photo schedule below:

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Please don't hesitate to contact me at the College if you have any queries.

Mr Andrew Donaldson  
Dean of Year 8

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**WONDERLAND**

With just over two weeks to go before the first performance, please make sure you secure your *Wonderland* Tickets.

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.

**Miss Kylie Malam**  
Head of Performing Arts
Sounds at Sunset

The summer Sounds at Sunset concert took place on Thursday, 7th April. The concert showcased sensational music performances from students in Years 7-12 including Rock Bands, Swing Band, Barbershop, Flute Ensemble and Jazz Band. The audience also enjoyed pre-concert entertainment comprising DJs and IMCC Dance students. The concert was thoroughly enjoyed by all and finished with an enthusiastic 1950s rendition by the newly formed student band Hepcats.

Thank you to all staff who assisted on the night, the Year 11 students who ran the sausage sizzle and all the band/group coaches for their ongoing support and commitment. Special thanks to Miss Malam and Miss Christie for their continued hard work and musical direction. The evening was a fantastic success and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Mikiel McNamara
Swing Band Leader
Irene McCormack Catholic College Specialist Music students were lucky enough to be part of a two day Songwriting Workshop with successful singer/songwriter Kav Temperley (lead singer of Eskimo Joe) and Australian record producer Anna Laverty. The two day workshop took place on 26th and 27th April 2016.

The workshop was a captivating and compelling experience. 16 students from Years 9-10 were chosen to participate in the workshop. Over the two days the students learnt the processes of writing an original song and song recording. All groups created unique and different songs, all of which were truly outstanding. The original pieces created by the students were recorded and mixed.

It was an excellent experience and extremely worthwhile musically.

Diron Lau
Year 10 Student

NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an everyday part of the school calendar since 2008.

What is NAPLAN?
NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling and numeracy. The assessments are undertaken nationwide, every year, in the second full week in May.
NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas:

- Reading.
- Writing.
- Language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation).
- Numeracy.

NAPLAN tests skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time through the school curriculum.

**How does NAPLAN support parents?**

- NAPLAN helps parents, carers and educators to see if children are meeting important numeracy and literacy standards. It is used to support school improvement processes by enabling teachers to monitor their students’ progress over time and to identify areas of strength and development.
- NAPLAN provides parents and carers with an individual report, showing their child’s results and a national comparison of their child’s performance against other Australian students in their year level.
- Federal, state and territory education ministers have agreed that NAPLAN will move online from 2017, over a two-to-three year period.

**How to assist my child?**

- NAPLAN is not a test that children can prepare for in the same way they might prepare for an end of term test. NAPLAN tests skills that develop and improve over time. These are skills that should be continuously developed throughout the year.
- The best way to get your child ready for NAPLAN is to continue to develop literacy and numeracy skills. Your child’s teacher will be able to give you advice on how to help encourage development of these skills at home.

**NAPLAN Assessments - Week 3**

NAPLAN assessments for Year 7 and 9 take place in Week 3. All students will be informed of where they will undertake the assessments and at what time, by their Care Group Teacher. Please ensure your son/daughter has the following equipment:

- 2B Pencils
- Eraser
- Sharpener
- Calculator (for Calculator section of Numeracy assessment)
- A book to read if they finish early

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Mr Andrew Billingsley  
Dean of Year 12

**Language Perfect World Championships 16th-26th May**

The Language Perfect World Championships is starting soon! All Year 7 students and Year 8 and 9 French students can participate for free. There are many awesome prizes to be won!

Mademoiselle Cat Harrison  
Languages Coordinator
Installation of Children’s Crossings on Marmion Avenue and Connolly Drive

At present the City of Wanneroo is unable to place a traffic warden on the new crossing on Marmion Ave near Lukin Drive due to staff shortages in the area, in particular, and also owing to a Public Sector “freeze” in advertising and hiring. Students need to be vigilant when crossing without a warden.

Below are a few tips for parents and students when using the crossing points:

Motorists and Guard Controlled Children’s Crossings
When driving around schools, motorists need to be aware of children’s crossing locations. When the orange Children Crossing flags are displayed, the crossing is in operation, and all drivers should be prepared to stop. Here are a few rules to adhere to:
- Look out for the advanced warning Children Crossing signs and flags.
- When you see the warden entering the road, you must prepare to stop your vehicle at the stop line just before the crossing.
- Remain stationary until all pedestrians and the warden are safely on the kerb or median.
- Do not overtake any other vehicle stopped at a Guard Controlled Children’s Crossing.

Crossing at a Guard Controlled Children’s Crossing
The following are some simple steps to ensure you and your children use guard controlled children’s crossings safely.
- When approaching a Guard Controlled Children’s Crossing, step back from the edge of the kerb.
- Wait for the attendant to blow the whistle for you to cross.
- Keep your eyes on the traffic and warden whilst crossing.
- If you are on a bike, skateboard or scooter get off the vehicle and wheel/carry it across the road.

Thank you for helping our schools and the City of Wanneroo improve the safety of students around the schools.

CAS Premiers – Year 8 Girls Basketball

In the last week of Term 1 our Year 8 Girls Basketball team played off in the Grand Final against Lake Joondalup Baptist College. The girls did an amazing job throughout the term and were triumphant in their win over LJBC to take out the premiership flag.

The team will be recognised with premiership medals at the College Sports Awards Evening in Term 4. Congratulations to the girls and leesha Parker (Year 12 student) their coach and also to Ms Flematti and Ms Thomson for their assistance.

Mr Devin Martin
Head of Sport

Winter CAS Sport

This term there are numerous sports on offer for students to compete in. Sign ups for the sports took place this week and try outs will commence in Week 2. Please see below for the sports that we offer this term and the try out times and dates. The Sports highlighted are predominantly filled by our Soccer and Football Academy students, however we still encourage students who are not part of the Academy Program to sign up. If a student is not part of the Academy and they wish to play, they will need to speak to either Soccer Academy Coach, Mr Stefanoff or Football Academy Coach, Mr Dillon to organise a trial date and time.
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### Trials

Netball – All teams will trial on Wednesday, 4th May in Week 2. 
Year 7 Boys Basketball on Wednesday, 4th May in Week 2.

All trials commence at 3.15pm and will conclude by 4.15pm. They will be held on the College netball/basketball courts.

Information regarding fixtures, permission slips and game times will be distributed to students after the trials.

Mr Devin Martin  
Head of Sport

### Career Events and Information

Please see the May Career Newsletter for full details of these and other events.

- Year 11 applications to Australian Defence Force Academy (university) open 1st May.
- Pharmacy Evening at Curtin University, 3rd May.
- Considering Engineering - Curtin Information session, 5th May.
- Year 11 and 12 Parent Information Evening and Pizza night at ECU Joondalup, 5th May.
- Psychology, Counselling, Criminology, Social Science, Social Work and Youth Work Information evening at ECU, 10th May.
- UWA Doctor of Medicine School Leaver Pathway session, 11th May.
- UWA Doctor of Dental Medicine School Leaver session, 16th May.
- Psychology evening at Curtin University, 18 May.
- Careers and Employment Expo, 12th-15th May at the Perth Convention Centre.
- Graduate Pathway to Medicine and Dentistry session at UWA, 25th May.
- Year 12 Parents Information Session at Curtin University, 7th June.
- Year 10 Parents Information Session at Curtin University, 8th June.
- Year 10 Parent Information and Pizza night at ECU Mount Lawley, 8th June and at ECU Joondalup on 8th June.
• Year 11 and 12 Parent Information and Pizza night at ECU Mount Lawley, 20th June.
• Changes to ECU ATAR requirements.
• Le Cordon Bleu Bachelor of Business now available at Central TAFE.
• Open Days.
• Industry Resource links.

Appointments
Ms Tonkin is available for appointments on Tuesday, 3rd May during the parent-teacher interview times. Please email Tonkin.chris@imcc.wa.edu.au. You are welcome to drop in on the evening to see if I am available.

Ms Chris Tonkin
Career Counsellor

Community News

90th Anniversary of St Joseph’s Catholic Church Trayning.
Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, 22nd May at 11.00am. Also recognising the 25th Anniversary of the death of Sr Irene McCormack RSJ on this day.
Lunch will follow at the Kununoppin Community Centre.
RSVP by 14th May to Fr Richard 9685 1243 or Sandra Waters 0429 832 048, gfswaters@bigpond.com

Sports Plus Perth July 10th-15th
High quality coaching in your chosen sport.
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Contact, 9241 5220.

Mr Robert Marshall
Principal