Welcome to the 2016 Academic Year

Welcome to the 2016 school year. A very special welcome to our 203 Year 7 students and the 17 Years 8 - 12 students and their families, who have joined our school community.

We are very fortunate to welcome a talented group of new staff members:

- Miss Anna Argese  
  English Teacher
- Miss Vivian Bahbah  
  Science Teacher
- Mr Jack Beissel  
  AFL Traineeship (Class of 2015)
- Mrs Crystal Blaze  
  English Teacher
- Mr Andrew Donaldson  
  Dean of Year 8
- Miss Catherine Dunn  
  English Teacher
- Mrs Raelene Kirkpatrick  
  Mathematics Teacher – Term 1 LSL Replacement
- Mrs Karen Lafitte  
  Home Economics Teacher
- Mrs Tamara Murphy  
  English Teacher – Term 1 LSL Replacement
- Mrs Debra Needham  
  Mathematics Teacher
- Ms Merryl Thomas  
  Science Teacher

A number of our staff have new roles in the College:

- Mr Andrew Billingsley  
  Dean of Year 12
- Mrs Erin Gallen  
  Vocational Education Coordinator
- Mrs Nicole Pearce  
  Learning Support Coordinator
- Mr John Mirco  
  Science Teacher
- Mrs Maria Gamble  
  Return from Maternity Leave to teach Dance and Physical Education.

We congratulate all our new staff on their appointments and our existing staff for their appointment to new positions and wish them personal and professional success, and offer them the support of the College community.

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### Parish Weekend Mass Times

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Included with this package is the College Student and Family Personal Details Form. We ask that parents verify that the information detailed on the form is correct by signing and returning it to the College Office by Friday, 12th February 2016.
**Congratulations to the Class of 2015**

The IMCC community celebrates the excellent achievement of all 2015 Year 12 students. Significant results were:
- 100% of students achieved Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) Graduation.
- 100% of students who applied were offered university placements.
- 91% of students who studied a VET Cert II course were successful.

We congratulate the following students on their outstanding achievements:
- Krista Stefanetti 94.95 ATAR and WACE Certificate of Excellence
- Anissa Abdennebi 93.45 ATAR
- Jade Larkman 91.85 ATAR
- Tom Welsh 90.15 ATAR

Courses that had a significant high scaled score student average were:
- Literature 3AB, Politics and Law 3AB, Mathematics 3CD, Physics 3AB, English 3AB, Mathematics Specialist 3CD and Design 3AB.

**College Strategic Plan 2016-2020 and Policy Handbook**

During 2015 the College developed the Strategic Plan 2016-2020. A copy of the document is included with the newsletter, we encourage you to keep the document and read and reflect on the plan from time to time. Each year tasks for the implementation of the strategic plan are reviewed through the Quality Catholic School process.


You are invited to provide feedback about the documents by email: admin@imcc.wa.edu.au

Thank you to all staff, students and parents who contributed with the strategic plan consultation process for the strategic plan and College policies.

**Irene McCormack Catholic College Board AGM**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Irene McCormack Catholic College Board will be held at the College on Monday 21st March 2016 at 6.00pm.

Parents wishing to attend the AGM and/or nominate for the Board are invited to email Mrs Kim Boscarino, Board Secretary, at admin@imcc.wa.edu.au by Monday 14th March 2016.

**College Holiday Activity**

Over the Christmas and New Year holidays, while most students and staff have had a well-deserved rest, our Admin and Accounts, Grounds and Maintenance and IT technicians have been working hard to complete projects for the expanding needs of the College. The following College improvements took place over the holidays:
- External painting.
- Painting of some classrooms.
- Renovation of Middle School toilets.
- Paving areas cleaned, gardens attended.
- IT team imaging Year 7 students’ laptops.
- Office staff preparing documents for the start of the year.
Edith Cowan University Scholarship Awarded in 2016

It is our great pleasure to announce that Ainsley McLatchie has been offered a merit based scholarship at Edith Cowan University in 2016, following a Principal's nomination.

Congratulations to Ainsley, Class of 2015.

Attendance and the Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Policies

Whilst all Irene McCormack Catholic College policies are important, the Attendance and the Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting policies have undergone an extensive review process in 2015. These may be located on the College website in the College Handbook Policy document.

Attendance Policy
The primary responsibility for attendance rests with students and parents. The College and regulating authorities each have pastoral care and education expectations which need to be met in regard to student attendance.

All students are required to arrive at the College and be in their respective Care Groups by 8.30am. Should students not arrive by this time, the following will occur:

SMS Message system
An SMS text message will be automatically sent to the mobile phones of parents explaining that the school records show that their child is absent from school. The message will give the child’s name, Care Group and indicate that they were absent during Care Group on that day.

The message will arrive on the phone displaying the number (0427 016 460). Parents should store this number under Irene McCormack Catholic College.

Parents are required to:
• Reply by text giving the name of the child, Care Group/Year group, and date and reason for absence or
• Phone the Absentee Line on 9562 2431.
• Email the College using Coneqt.

For the above to occur successfully, it is imperative that all Parent Contact details are correct. Parents are required to inform the College of their updated mobile phone numbers and email addresses as soon as there is a change of numbers, so that this system can be made as effective as possible.

General Absences
For students who have been absent, parents must provide a medical certificate and/or note explaining the absence upon a student’s return to school. For absences of three days or longer, a medical certificate is required.

Students missing exams require a medical certificate (view the College Curriculum, Assessment and Report Policy) and students absent for major College events, such as the Athletics Carnival, Swimming Carnival and Year level Retreats will also require a medical certificate.

Parents considering taking their children on holidays must seek permission from the College Principal in writing.
Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Policy
Parents are encouraged to view the updated policy on the College website. The policy outlines the rules and conduct for assessments and examinations for all students at the College. It also makes evident the School Curriculum and Authority requirements for students in Years 11 and 12.

This year, all students enrolled in a Year 12 General or Foundation courses are required to complete an EST (Externally Set Task) for that course. The ESTs are administered in schools during designated weeks 4, 5 and 6 in Term 2 under standard test conditions. The EST will take 50 minutes. The assessment will be based on the content of Unit 3.

Please feel free to contact me at the College on (08) 9562 2400 for further information.

Ms Nancy Bonfiglio
Deputy Principal

Parking

A system is in place for Year 7 and 8 students to be collected from the Lower Car Park. This helps split the volume of traffic exiting the College.

In the mornings, both the Upper and Lower Car Parks are used as a “Kiss and Drive”. Please do not park in the bays, but just drive through and drop off.

In the afternoon it is essential that parents park. Parents have found that arriving early and reversing into a car bay is the safest way to facilitate an exit after collecting their child.

Please refer to the attached map to help with the traffic flow.

Mrs Michelle Smith
Dean of Year 7
Get involved in the Music Department!

**Barbershop**

Love singing and being part of a team? The IMCC Barbershop is looking for new members. Why not come along and join in the fun with Miss Christie at the first rehearsal on Tuesday, Week 2, 9th February at 3.15-4.15pm in Music Room 1. All welcome.

**Instrumental Lessons**

Interested in learning a musical instrument? As well as electric, acoustic and bass guitars, drums and piano, we have a limited amount of instruments available for hire with instrumental lessons including saxophone and tenor saxophone, clarinet, euphonium, flute and alto flute, piccolo, trombone, trumpet and tuba.

Please call into the Music Office for more information and to collect an enrolment form. Don’t miss out on one of these amazing opportunities.

**Production**

Production rehearsals are already in full swing for the fast approaching showcase of *Wonderland*. Performance nights are set for 18th-20th May with the inclusion of a Matinee on Tuesday, 17th May.

All cast, dancers and musicians are to check the Drama Room window for a full list of all compulsory rehearsals.

A reminder that Production Camp forms and payment are due by **Friday, 5th February**.

Some key dates to note in your diary:

**TERM 1**
- Friday, 19th & Saturday 20th February: Production Camp
- Thursday, 3rd March: Pizza Night Rehearsal
- Thursday, 24th March: Pizza Night Rehearsal
- Wednesday, 6th April: Peter Moyes Rehearsal

**TERM 2**
- Wednesday 4th May: Peter Moyes Rehearsal
- Saturday, 14th May: Peter Moyes Rehearsal
- Tuesday, 17th May: Peter Moyes Rehearsal & Matinee
- Wednesday, 18th - Friday, 20th May: PRODUCTION NIGHTS

Watch this space……tickets will be available shortly!

**Miss Kylie Malam**  
Head of Performing Arts
Dance Auditions

During Week 2 of this term there will be auditions for the 2016 Senior and Junior Dance Teams. Students accepted will perform at the 2016 Catholic Performing Arts Festival, Carnevale, Dance Night and the Escape Festival. Students should wear appropriate dance clothing to their audition and bare feet. Students do not need to prepare a dance prior to the audition just turn up and be ready to dance!

Years 7&8
Junior Dance Team Audition: Tuesday 9th February, 3.15pm-4.30pm.

Years 9-12
Senior Dance Team Audition: Friday 12th February, 7.30am-8.15am.

Miss Sinead Harte
Dance Teacher

IMCC Sport

This is a busy term on the sporting calendar with several events taking place. There are lots of opportunities for students to participate in sport at the College and I look forward to seeing as many students as possible, represent the College with pride and enthusiasm.

CAS Sport (Coast Associated Schools)
CAS sport is our competitive inter-school sporting program that commences in Week 3. Students will have the opportunity to sign up for one of the sports listed below in Week 1, with trials for that sport taking place in Week 2.

Year 8 & 9 Sports (Games played on Wednesday afternoons)
Year 8 Girls Basketball
Year 8/9 Girls Touch Rugby
Year 8/9 Girls Tennis
Year 8 Boys Basketball
Year 8/9 Boys Tennis
Year 8/9 Boys Cricket
Year 9 Girls Basketball
Year 9 Boys Basketball

Year 10/11/12 Sports (Games played on Tuesday afternoons)
Senior Boys Cricket
Senior Boys Volleyball
Senior Girls Volleyball
Senior Boys Basketball
Senior Girls Basketball
Senior Girls Touch Rugby

Inter-House Swimming Carnival
The Inter-House Swimming Carnival will be held on Wednesday, 17th February at the HBF Arena in Joondalup. The Carnival is a competitive swim meet where students have an opportunity to compete for their House, as well as earn a position in the College Swim Team.
This year the Carnival will be split into two main events. The Year 7-9 students will be competing from 9.00am-12.30pm and the Year 10-12 students will be competing from 12.30pm-2.30pm.

Please see the following table regarding start times and lesson times for the day.

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**NB: Year 8 & 9 Students** - Care commences at 8.15am on the day of the Carnival.

If any parents are able to assist on the day of the Carnival please forward an email to martin.devin@imcc.wa.edu.au

**Year 7 Lightning Carnival**

Year 7 students have the opportunity to partake in a one-day Lightning Carnival on Friday, 1st April. The purpose of the day is to introduce the students to the variety of sports that we offer in CAS sport whilst playing against other schools who are in the CAS competition.
Year 7 students will have an opportunity to sign up for one of the following sports later this term.
- Basketball
- Soccer
- Touch Rugby
- Cricket
- Volleyball

More information regarding the Lightning Carnival will follow closer to the date.

Mr Devin Martin
Head of Sport

Canteen

We would love to see volunteer helpers in the canteen. Please contact the Canteen Manager on 9562 2435 to join the team. We look forward to hearing from you.

Please see our Daily and Weekly Menus below.

Mrs Wendy Duncan
Canteen Manager

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**Irene’s Café**

**DAILY MENU**

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**Irene’s Café**

**MENU**

**Term 1**

*LUNCH ORDERS TO BE PLACED BEFORE START OF SCHOOL*

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<td>Ham &amp; Cheese filled croissant</td>
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<td>Wednesday</td>
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FREE Parent Information Evening:
‘ThinkUKnow Cyber Safety’

Parents, carers and school staff are all welcome to attend this information evening. The aim is to learn more about young people and the online environment, and how you can help them to be safe and responsible technology users.

ThinkUKnow is a Cyber Safety education program that demonstrates how young people are using technology, the challenges they may face online, and how to help them overcome these in a safe way.

Presented by a local law enforcement member and an industry volunteer, this workshop covers issues relating to:
- Young people’s privacy and security online.
- Inappropriate content, both self-created and accessed.
- Cyber-bullying.
- Social networking.
- Gaming.
- Instant messaging and chat.
- Mobile technologies.
- Reputation management.
- How parents can reduce their young person’s exposure to risk.
- How young people can embrace the online world with confidence.

ThinkUKnow is a partnership between the Australian Federal Police and Microsoft Australia.

Thursday 11th February 2016, 7.00pm-8.30pm, Headspace Osborne Park, 145 Main Street, Osborne Park. Please register by COB Monday 8th February by phoning 9208 9555 or emailing info@headspaceospk.com.au. Places are limited.

Mrs Dianne Bridge
College Counsellor

Mr Robert Marshall
Principal