We farewell and thank Mrs Tamara Murphy and Mrs Raelene Kirkpatrick, and wish them every success with their future ventures, and we extend our best wishes to Mrs Maria Gamble who commences Maternity Leave.

Thank you to our staff and students for outstanding commitment and achievement during the Summer Term.

**Year 12 Retreat - Slow Down**

For the tenth consecutive year our Year 12 students journeyed to New Norcia for a three day Retreat experience from Wednesday, 30th March to Friday, 1st April. This retreat is an essential Year 12 experience for our students as they prepare to finish school and their transition into adulthood. The retreat is neither a holiday nor an excursion. It is an intentional stepping out of daily schedules to actively and honestly reflect on our lives. The energy and effort required of Year 12 can mean little unless framed in the context of the student’s life journey, sense of purpose and place in the world.

The retreat supports students to explore this context, giving all involved time away from our daily schedules to reflect on who they are, how they relate to key people in their lives, who God is for them and experience something of God’s presence in their lives.

The 2016 Year 12 Retreat was a wonderful experience for both our students and staff. I would like to thank all our Year 12 parents for their support, trust and contribution in helping us deliver the experience.

**Parish Weekend Mass Times**

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To Mr John Swindells, Dean of Campus Ministry who coordinated this retreat and to Mr Andrew Billingsley, Dean of Year 12, thank you for your tireless effort, support and contribution to the Retreat. To all our staff involved namely our Year 12 Care Group Teachers – Mrs Faye Ratajczak, Mrs Merryl Thomas, Mrs Inez McGinley, Miss Lauren Ierace, Mr Michael Speechley, Mr Kevin O’Brien, Mr Peter Boylen, Mr Alan McLatchie together with our supporting staff, Father Israel and Mrs Tammy Johns, Mr Tony Summers, Mr Jack Beissel, Mr Masiusz Grzech, Ms Jacinta Burns and Ms Catherine Sardinah. This was a wonderful team and on behalf of all the Year 12 students, thank you all for your efforts, care, contributions and generosity.

Finally to our Year 12 students, you are all priceless. Thank you for journeying to New Norcia and trusting us. Thank you for slowing down, supporting one another and allowing each other to experience aspects of themselves, each another, and life in a new and very good way. I hope you all hold on to what you received for a very long time.

**Wonderland**

On Sunday, 3rd April eleven students attended Mass at St Andrew’s Parish Catholic Church to promote the upcoming production of Wonderland.

Jeremiah Ayalde, Keia Ball, Harrison Cook, Jac Donnelly, Emilee Erikson, Kaleb Erikson, Kallum Erikson, Logan MacKay, Tea Truran, Julia Vrlic and Reagan Whiting distributed brochures and talked to parishioners before and after Mass. Students were also actively involved in the Mass by taking up the Offertory and taking around the collection baskets.

Thank you to all the students who gave their time on a Sunday morning to help promote the Production at Mass.
Miss Kylie Malam  
Head of Performing Arts

2016 Project Compassion

Caritas Australia’s annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal, Project Compassion, brings thousands of Australians together in solidarity with the world’s poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity. In 2016, they celebrate 50 years since the first national appeal was held in the Lent of 1965.

This year throughout the six weeks of Lent, the Irene McCormack community gave generously and raised an impressive $3332.05! This amount was achieved through efforts from each Care Group and by donations made at the Canteen by students dropping their change in buckets on a daily basis.

Money raised by each Year Group and Top Care Groups

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Money raised by each House

- Dunlea: $716.65
- Evans: $565.05
- Golding: $708.90
- McGarry: $664.10

Donations made at the Canteen: $604.45

Well done and thank you to all of those who gave in the spirit of helping to make a difference!

Miss Cherie Milne  
Christian Service Coordinator

2016 LifeLink Day Launch – The Challenge of Being Big Hearted

Kieran Batavia (Year 12), Phillip Bothma (Year 11), Laura Carter (Year 10), Aleul Nul (Year 9), Lilly Varley (Year 8) and Sam Archibald (Year 7) were honoured to be selected as representatives of Irene McCormack Catholic College at the 2016 LifeLink Day Launch.
Archbishop Costelloe and Bishop Sproxton hosted the event held at Aranmore Catholic College on 5th April. This was the official launch for LifeLink Day for all Catholic secondary schools in the Perth diocese.

The topics discussed on the day included explanation of Pope Francis’ special proclamation of our current Jubilee Year of Mercy. The Archbishop made it clear that God himself is the face of Mercy and that was shown through his son Jesus. Many of us believe that mercy is self-pity to help those less fortunate than us. The Church also believes in compassion to not condemn but to help those in need without questioning or judgement. The Year of Mercy could be expressed as the Year of Being Big Hearted.

“Here’s someone in need; here’s someone who is finding life a real struggle at the moment; here’s someone who has the same hopes and dreams as we do but whose life hasn’t worked out the way they would have hoped – and we can help” ~ Archbishop Costelloe

Thank you to Mr Swindells for organising our involvement on the day. The representatives working with the Campus Ministry team, Deans of Year and their year group to help promote the LifeLink cause. Proceeds made on Irene McCormack Day will go towards LifeLink to help support their mission to help more than 34,000 people each year. Now is a great time to start thinking about what each care group will be doing on Irene McCormack Day on Friday, 13th May, Week 3 next term.


**Phillip Bothma**  
**Year 11 Student**

**Red 25 Blood Donors**

On Monday, 4th April some of our senior students gave their first blood donations. Jake McLaren and Danielle Vahala, together with Miss Ierace, made their first ever blood donations. By giving up a small portion of their afternoon they have made an incredible contribution to our community because for every one donation, three lives are saved. All three of them were smiling from ear to ear knowing that they were able to contribute to such a wonderful cause and said that they cannot wait to donate again.

“I felt like I was making a difference and it’s amazing to know that I have saved three lives” ~ Jake McLaren

“It was a really positive experience and I can’t wait to do it again next year. I encourage everyone to take the time out to contribute to this crucial and life-saving initiative” ~ Danielle Vahala

If you have already donated blood but would like to join IMCC’s Red25 Group tally, please go to [www.donateblood.com.au/red25/view-group-tally](http://www.donateblood.com.au/red25/view-group-tally) and follow the prompts. If you have never donated but would like know if you are eligible, please go to [www.donateblood.com.au](http://www.donateblood.com.au) or contact Miss Cherie Milne at the College on 9562 2400 to find out more information.

**Miss Cherie Milne**  
**Christian Service Coordinator**
Our Year 7 students participated in a one-day Lightning Carnival on Friday, 1st April. The aim of the day is to introduce students to the sports that are offered at the College whilst playing against a few of our competitor schools in the CAS competition.

The sports that the students participated in were volleyball, soccer, cricket, touch rugby and basketball. IMCC hosted the soccer games where we had up to 350 students from other schools playing in small sided soccer games.

Congratulations to all our Year 7 students for their enthusiasm and endeavour in their chosen sport. A great day was had by all involved.

Mr Devin Martin
Head of Sport

Year 8 Da Vinci Decathlon

On Thursday, 24th March, eight Year 8 students were selected to represent the College at the Da Vinci Decathlon held at Wesley College in South Perth.

The team consisted of:
- Jayde Hilson
- Osh Leonard
- Aimee Mahuru
- Georgia Ridley
- Kirsty Westin
- Abigail Westwood
- Lewis Wood
- Ethan Wong
The Da Vinci Decathlon consisted of a range of challenges and tasks from a number of learning areas to be completed throughout the day. The theme of the challenges was inspired by explorers and exploration. The competition was tough but a great way to meet other like-minded students from different schools. It was a very enjoyable day as the team spent time fine tuning their preparation and research skills. The Year 8 students represented the College with pride and distinction, and should be very proud of their achievements and team work.

Mr Andrew Donaldson  
Dean of Year 8

Year 8 Movie Night

On Friday, 1st April, the Year 8 student representatives organised a movie night for 55 Year 8 students in the College Library. We raised over $275 for Project Compassion.

We enjoyed pizzas, some good company and the movie, Pan. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the evening and there was plenty of laughter and smiles throughout the night.

A huge thankyou to everyone that participated in the event. Also, thank you to Mr McHale, Mr Mirco, Mr Stefanoff, Mrs Wilder and Mr Currie for helping support this evening and a special thankyou to Mr Donaldson for making this evening possible.

Lilly Varley  
Student Representative for Year 8

Inter-House Cross Country Carnival

On Thursday, 31st March up to 230 students participated in the 2016 Inter-House Cross Country Carnival. The Cross Country Carnival is a 4km running race that takes place alongside Lake Joondalup with the finish line at Picnic Cove in Edgewater. The final tally of House points will be finalised early next term when the Year 12 students complete the race. The following students achieved Champion or Runner Up for their age group.

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Please note: Year 11 and 12 is a combined OPEN age group. Champions will be finalised when the Year 12 students run next term.

Mr Devin Martin  
Head of Sport
Debate Club Round 2

On Tuesday 5th April, IMCC's Debate Team had their Round 2 debate against Sacred Heart, on the motion that Australia should have compulsory military service. We were the negative team, so we had to argue against the topic.

This week’s speakers were Niamh Clarke, Jorja Salt and Ella Lemson. The girls all did a fantastic job, and have shown improved confidence since their first debate in Week 7. It was very pleasing to see them using expression and emphasis in their speeches and making several rebuttals to the opposition’s argument.

Our key arguments involved the loss of freedom, the physical and mental effects on being forced into the military, as well as the cost involved. Unfortunately, the adjudicator gave the win, by only one point, to Sacred Heart. It was disappointing to lose by such a narrow margin, but I was extremely proud of the team for listening to the adjudicator’s feedback, congratulating Sacred Heart and maintaining a positive attitude.

I would like to thank Alyssa Jones for time-keeping the debate, Milly Howlett for helping her teammates prepare and coming along to show her support on the night, and all the parents who attended Tuesday evening’s debate. Debating will continue next term, with Round 3 occurring in Week 4.

Mrs Simone Albert  
Debate Club Coordinator

Chess Afternoon

On Wednesday, 6th April Juan Marcelo (Year 11), Alfie Norman (Year 11) and Liam Murray (Year 7) represented the College in the inaugural Northern Catholic Schools Chess friendly against Prendiville Catholic College.

Our students emerged victorious with an overwhelming win of 6 games to 1.

We are looking to make this a regular event with Prendiville and Mater Dei. Please encourage your children who have an interest to participate as we would like bigger numbers representing the College in the middle of next term.

Mr Edward Bryant  
Head of Library

‘Have Sum Fun’ Mathematics Competition

On Friday, 18th March, five students from Irene McCormack Catholic College competed in the ‘Have Sum Fun’ Mathematics Competition organised by the Mathematical Association of WA. This activity has been taking place for many years and is an exciting mathematics initiative using a quiz night format. Teams of students race against the clock to solve four intense rounds of eight challenging problems.
The Irene McCormack team consisted of Vivien Lettner and Charlotte Mullins from Year 7 and Ethan Wong, Jayde Hilson and Aimee Mahuru from Year 8. The questions were indeed puzzling and stimulating, though the students worked hard throughout the evening and should be pleased with their overall result.

The experience was enjoyable and educational, and the students appreciated the opportunity to participate. Thank you to the parents who transported the team to and from the venue, and showed support during the preparation and competition evening.

Mrs Debra Needham
Mathematics Teacher

Interim Reports

With Interim Reports posted in the first week of the holidays, parents will be provided with information about their child's progress and students will have an opportunity to reflect upon their own learning. Students’ current assessment marks are available on SEQTA p-conneqt.

I encourage all students to continue to engage in the use of a Study timetable and spend some time during the school holidays revising the concepts learned in Term One. For your reference, the Semester One examinations will take place in Term Two.

These are as follows:
Years 11-12     Monday, 30th May 2016 – Friday, 10th June 2016
Years 7-10      Monday, 7th June 2016 – Friday, 17th June 2016

Parents are invited to contact Ms Bonfiglio, Deputy Principal should they have any questions.

Ms Nancy Bonfiglio
Deputy Principal

Parent Student Teacher Interviews & Parent Teacher Online

The Parent-Student-Teacher interviews will be held next term 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. Access to PTO (Parent Teacher Online for booking interviews) will be available from Friday, 8th April to book interviews.

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

From Friday, 8th April, 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.

**College Photos**

The College Photos for all students will take place at the College on Friday, 6th May in Term 2 by Fotoworks. Care Group photos will be taken in the Library and individual photos will be taken in the Drama Room.

The photo envelopes will be distributed to students during Care Group on the first day back next term. All students need to bring their 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. The student and staff photo schedule will be advised nearer the time.

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

**Mr Andrew Donaldson**

Dean of Year 8

**Vocational Education**

**Workplace Learning – Student responses**

I'm undertaking workplace learning at Snap, Joondalup. I've been confused about my career pathway for a while and the current work placement has helped things become clearer. My work experience builds on my passion and love for art. I experience new things and face bigger challenges each day ~ Tenisha Cruz, Year 11.

I'm undertaking workplace learning at Glengarry Hospital. I have had a variety of experiences such as watching surgery and looking after patients. I leave home at 5.30am to be at work experience at 7.00am. It has opened my eyes to working at an actual workplace and what this entails ~ Tunisha Jurinovich, Year 11.

I am currently completing workplace learning at 5 Star Auto Services, Malaga. I enjoy working in the workshop as it is fun and involves lots of hands on tasks ~ Jack Crossley, Year 11.

I am currently undertaking workplace learning at Wangara Chrysler Jeep. I thoroughly enjoy working there as it gives me insight to what I would like to do when I graduate. I enjoy being able to work with my hands and being able to be active. Some duties I've undertaken are general car servicing which includes oil changing, oil filter changing and tyre rotations ~ Giel Trollip, Year 11.

**Mrs Erin Gallen**

Vocational Education Coordinator
Treading the Boards

Following a successful audition back in March, Year 10 student, Eve Basson has been busy rehearsing for her part in APAN's (Australian Performing Arts Network) production of Grease.

Eve will be dancing, singing and acting her way through the classic show which runs from 26th August.

Congratulations Eve. We wish you every success.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is having a sale of the old style sportswear for students in Years 10 to 12. There are limited sizes and stock.

Blazers are compulsory for all students in Terms 2 and 3. All students are to wear winter uniform at the start of Term 2. Please collect blazers and purchase winter uniform items before the end of term.

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.

Holiday Trading
Tuesday, 19th April  8.30-3.30pm
Thursday, 21st April  8.30-3.30pm

Term trading hours are:
Tuesday  noon-4.00pm
Thursday  8.00am-11.00am

The Uniform Shop will reopen for Term 2 on Tuesday, 26th April at 8.00am-10.00am and then reopen at noon-4.00pm.

Mrs Lyn Waite
Uniform Shop Coordinator

IMCC Day

EasyRider Adventures based in Yanchep National Park will be joining in the celebrations on Irene McCormack Day at the College. An obstacle course will be set up allowing students to navigate ramps, cones and even a seesaw for a small fee.
Community News

Centre for Faith Enrichment Short Courses.
Visit www.cfe.org.au to see the full course range.
Contact michelle.jones@perthcatholic.org.au, 9241 5220.

Hillarys Yacht Club School Holiday Programs April 2016.
Starting Sailing, Tackers Sailing and Junior Fishing Clinic.
For further information contact Mel on 9246 2833,
www.hillarysyachtclub.com.au or
development@hillarysyachtclub.com.au

Quinns FC need aged 14/15 boys for the U15 Team.
Contact Gordon Bryden on 0448 894216.
Season commences 24th April, in the Sunday League.

Part time positions available (for Years 10-12 students) at
EasyRider Adventures in Yanchep National Park.
Contact Michael on 0431 759 012.

Bus Route 483 & 484 - Service Changes
Due to road network changes around the future Mitchell Freeway, Routes 483 and 484 will be required to undergo permanent route changes from Sunday, 10th April. Some of these changes mean passengers will have to walk further. If you require further assistance regarding service changes or planning your journey, please call the Transperth InfoLine on 13 62 13.

Mr Robert Marshall
Principal