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## MESSENGER

IRENE McCORMACK  
CATHOLIC COLLEGE

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## Welcome to Term 2

Welcome back for Term 2. At the end of the first week, it is a privilege to comment on the positive energy with which the students and staff have returned. We welcome new students this term, and we wish them and their families a very positive experience at the College.

This term has a number of significant events taking place. Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews held on Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> April and Irene McCormack Day on Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> April. The focus for students is on Semester 1 Examinations, Externally Set Assessments for Year 12 students, and NAPLAN for Years 7 and 9 students.

We welcome Miss Sarah Dalton to our staff in the English Department, and we welcome back Ms Karolina Lasscock returning from maternity leave and Mrs Adele Baker returning from long service leave. We wish Miss Dalton a personally and professionally rewarding experience with us and we offer her our support.

## ANZAC Day

On Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> April the nation will commemorate ANZAC Day with the public holiday to follow on Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> April.

We will hold our ANZAC ceremony on Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> April at 8.30am in the Paul Rafter Centre. A full report will feature in next week's newsletter.



### Parish Information

#### Clarkson Parish

St Andrew's Catholic Church  
Parish Priest, Fr Dariusz (Darek)  
Krzyształowicz SDS  
Tel: 9407 7512  
E: [standrewsclarkson@gmail.com](mailto:standrewsclarkson@gmail.com)  
<http://www.standrewsclarkson.com/>

#### Yanchep & Lancelin Pastoral Area

Parish Priest, Fr. Augustine Puthota.  
Tel: 9561 2172

#### Ocean Reef Parish

St Simon Peter Catholic Church  
Parish Priest, Fr. Franciszek Kot  
Tel: 9300 4885  
E: [stsimon@westnet.com.au](mailto:stsimon@westnet.com.au)

## Interhouse Cross Country

Students took part in our Interhouse Cross Country event on Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April in glorious autumn weather. A full report will feature in next week's newsletter.



*Year 7 students preparing for Interhouse Cross Country*

## Parent-Student-Teacher Interviews & Parent Teacher Online

The Parent-Student-Teacher interviews will be held on Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021 in the Paul Rafter Centre, commencing at 1.30pm and concluding at 6.30pm. Classes for students will conclude at 12.50pm, at the start of lunch. If your child needs to remain at the College, the Library will be available for students to do schoolwork.

Appointments can be made via the PTO website:

<https://bookings.parentteacheronline.com.au?school=bz9at>

Press the Icon "Obtain PIN/Password" and enter your email address (as registered with the the College). A logon and pin will then be sent to the email address. Please contact the IT Network Office ([support@imcc.wa.edu.au](mailto:support@imcc.wa.edu.au)) if you have any difficulties with the process.

PTO bookings will close on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> April.

Your child's Term One Interim Report and current results for individual assessments are available on SEQTA Engage. If your child had an interview requested on the report, please select a time for the interview.

You are encouraged to make appointments with teachers, even if an interview has not been requested.

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.

**Mr Darren Ballantyne**  
**Assistant Deputy Principal Year 7**

## Music Recital Night

The College's first music concert this year, *Music Recital Night*, will be held in Week 4, on Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm in the Paul Rafter Centre.

The concert will showcase Ensembles and Rock Bands, and solo pieces from our Year 12 ATAR Music students.

Students from the Year 11 ATAR Music class will be providing pre-show entertainment with their solo pieces at 6.00pm in the Paul Rafter Centre foyer. Students will perform in a variety of styles of genres.

We look forward to seeing parents and family members, students and staff supporting our very talented musicians. Gold coin donation on entry.

**Mrs Rosalie Richardson**  
**Music Secretary**



IRENE McCORMACK CATHOLIC COLLEGE presents

# MUSIC RECITAL NIGHT

Thursday, 13th May 2021  
Paul Rafter Centre Gymnasium

Pre-Concert 6.00pm Foyer  
Concert begins 6.30pm  
Gold coin Donation

Showcasing College Ensembles & Senior Students

Sausage sizzle & Refreshments available

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Celebrating 20 Years



**A Message from Dr Debra Sayce, Executive Director**

Office of the  
Executive Director

Dear colleagues and Catholic education parents and caregivers

As we settle in for the school term ahead, I begin by extending my thoughts and prayers to those in our Mid-West communities who have been affected by the recent Tropical Cyclone Seroja. While the damage has been devastating in some parts, tireless efforts to repair and clean up school properties meant that all nine Catholic schools in the path of the cyclone welcomed students and staff back for the start of Term 2. I acknowledge all who supported, and continue to support, our school communities for their spirit of service and commitment.

The Easter period brings with it a reminder of the importance of lived Gospel values. I trust that the Easter liturgies served as an inspiration and that your Easter celebrations were equally a time to reconnect with loved ones.

Term 2 is indeed a busy term, with boundless opportunities for students to engage in their learning, to contribute to the life of their school communities, and to participate in the many co-curricular opportunities that Catholic schools offer. As students and staff return, refreshed after the school holidays, it is important that we maintain our sense of gratitude, acknowledging just how fortunate we are in Western Australia that the education of children and young people is largely unaffected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

It is relevant too, this term, that we celebrate International Day of Families on 15 May. In our school communities, the partnership between families and schools is recognised as a fundamental tenet of Catholic education. Amidst the challenges of the past year, this came to the fore as parents and teachers worked together to support the teaching and learning of students.

As part of ongoing celebrations for the bicentenary of Catholic education in Australia, we have a wonderful opportunity to join with schools and Catholic education offices around the country to celebrate Mass on the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians on 24 May. Staff and students in each of our State's four dioceses are invited to participate in celebrating the Eucharist. More details will be provided to schools very soon.

An important contribution that parents make to our schools is participation on advisory councils. Members of advisory councils, parents or carers, volunteer their time, offering significant expertise and experience in support of the ongoing growth and development of our schools. Acknowledging the importance of advisory councils, the Catholic School Advisory Council Chair Conference is held every two years. Attended by Chairs from Catholic schools across the state, this year's conference will be held in Perth later this term and will be an opportunity for professional learning and shared conversations, culminating in celebrating the Eucharist.

Our schools are wonderfully vibrant places, with an impressive diversity of ideas, skills and experience contributed by staff. One way we celebrate this is the Quality Catholic Education (QCE) Awards. The QCE Awards are an opportunity to showcase thoughtful, innovative and valuable projects and initiatives in our schools.

They are a way of sharing good news and they are recognition for the hard work and professionalism of staff members. The 2021 QCE Awards will be launched this term and I encourage you to think about projects at your school that could be nominated.

For students involved in the arts, the annual Catholic Schools Performing Arts Festival is set for an exciting return, with live performances back on the program, and an array of innovative new opportunities to showcase their talent. Submissions for the Performing Arts Festival are now open, The Angelico Exhibition and the Catholic Education Carnevale are also set for some exciting new opportunities.

With so much planned for Term Two, I trust it will be productive and fulfilling, as we work to help our students to thrive in Christ-centred, child-focused Catholic schools.



# St Andrew's Parish News

Cake stall at all masses this weekend, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> April.

## Entertainment Fundraiser

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Mr Robert Marshall  
Principal

