

*The Wisdom
of the Lord Teaches us*

Mary MacKillop College

Newsletter

Term 1
21 February 2020



*"So great is the
strength we possess
in our unity".*

*Mary MacKillop
1874*

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www.mackillopleongatha.catholic.edu.au/newsletter
also available on the College Parent Portal - PAM

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This Weeks Prayer

God, I pray for
my prayer life to become
vibrant and strong in this season
of Lent. I pray that Your voice,
even though a whisper, would
ring loud and true in my life.

I pray for the courage and
boldness to follow wherever
You lead me, to love and serve
whomever and however
You invite me.

Amen.

The church season of Lent begins next week. Lent is the time of preparation for Easter, the key event of the whole of Christianity. We will celebrate Mass as a College on Ash Wednesday, 26 February. Parents and families are welcome to join us for the Mass, which includes the distribution of the ashes, where each person has the sign of the cross marked on their forehead. When we wear the ashes like this for the day we are taking part in a tradition that reaches back thousands of years. The ashes are the ancient symbol of repentance and purification, they are the outward sign of our inner intention to set aside the things that keep us from God and try to be better people.

The school year is well and truly running now and we have already had a number of key whole school events. Last week saw our Opening Mass and Commissioning Presentation held at the College followed by the Swimming Sports at Korumburra. It was great to see so many parents and friends come along to support our students at both these events.

Our 2020 College Captains, Joshua Wright and Lilly Worsfold have spent 5 days in Sydney with Mr Maskell along with 80 students from Josephite schools in Australia and New Zealand who are gathered for the Annual JJAMM (Joseph, Julian and Mary MacKillop) Student Leadership Conference.

Next week we have Year 9's and Year 7's all heading away on their respective camps. Year 9 are off to Fraser National Park near Lake Eildon for their Outdoor Education Adventure. Year 7 head to Philip Island Adventure Resort, their camp is designed to help them settle in and develop friendships with their peers. Both are a great experience and always a highlight of the year. We wish them and their teachers well as they head off on their adventures.

You will be invited separately, but a quick reminder to Year 7 families the Mass of Welcome and commissioning of Year 7 Student Leaders, followed by a shared BBQ Dinner, will take place on the evening of Tuesday 3 March. We look forward to seeing you there.

Our College Tours are coming up in March: Fridays 6, 13 and 20 the student led tour starts at 9:15am sharp. We welcome everyone to come and have a look at the College in operation. There will be information about the College available and staff on hand to answer any questions. If you have friends with primary school age children, do them a favour and suggest they come and see Mary MacKillop College at work!

On Friday 28th February we farewell Mrs Jacinta Johnston from the College, she has taken up a position at the Diocese of Sale Catholic Education Limited in Warragul, we wish her all the best and thank her for her service at the College. We will be welcoming Mr Greg Furlong on Monday 2nd March, there will be some changes to class teachers but this will be communicated separately to families.

Finally, we have 12 Japanese students coming between 11-23 March 2020, we are still looking for Families to host, in particular families who are able to host male students. If you are able please contact Carly Kitchingman ckitchingman@mmcrc.catholic.edu.au

**David Leslie
Principal**



"So great is the strength we possess in our unity" - Mary MacKillop 1874

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - WELLBEING AND ORGANISATION

At Mary MacKillop Catholic Regional College, we have a strong focus on student wellbeing. This is supported by a shared vision and programs in order for everyone to feel safe, valued and well cared for throughout their educational journey.

The College acknowledges that feeling comfortable at school and being happy and healthy has a direct impact on each student's capacity for optimal learning - and for them to flourish in their chosen field. Equally, enjoying school and being engaged in learning influences a student's wellbeing - in particular their confidence and resilience.

The relationship between wellbeing and learning, therefore, is critical to the development of the whole person. This is why, at Mary MacKillop Catholic Regional College, we focus on the holistic development of our students. Students are supported and motivated to develop their strengths, grow and learn from challenges and complexities and develop positive relationships as the foundation for their learning.

A commitment to fostering behaviours within the College underpins Wellbeing at the College. This year has seen the implementation of a Whole School Approach to Positive Behaviour, whereby all members of College Community acknowledge their role in supporting each student to fully participate and engage in the process of becoming a successful learner. This is manifested through the staff and student's ability to:

- Understand and take ownership for our behaviour
- Connect how our behaviour can impact our relationships
- Broader College Community
- Think deeply about behaviour and its impact on others
- Be courageous in our commitment to our learning, work habits and self-management

Students also participate in the College Wellbeing Program - **BEING COURAGEOUS**. This is an exploration of who our students are as individuals to facilitate positive social and emotional growth.

The program empowers our students with an understanding of and the ability to respond to the challenges of being an adolescent. This maximises their wellbeing and learning, allowing for the students to continue to develop as independent, self-aware and resilient students.

Each of the student focused seminars are framed by either the Taking Ownership, Making Connections or Thinking Deeply pillar of the College framework developing well balanced students ready to embark on the opportunities that await them beyond the school gates.

Kieran O'Dwyer
Deputy Principal
Wellbeing and Organisation



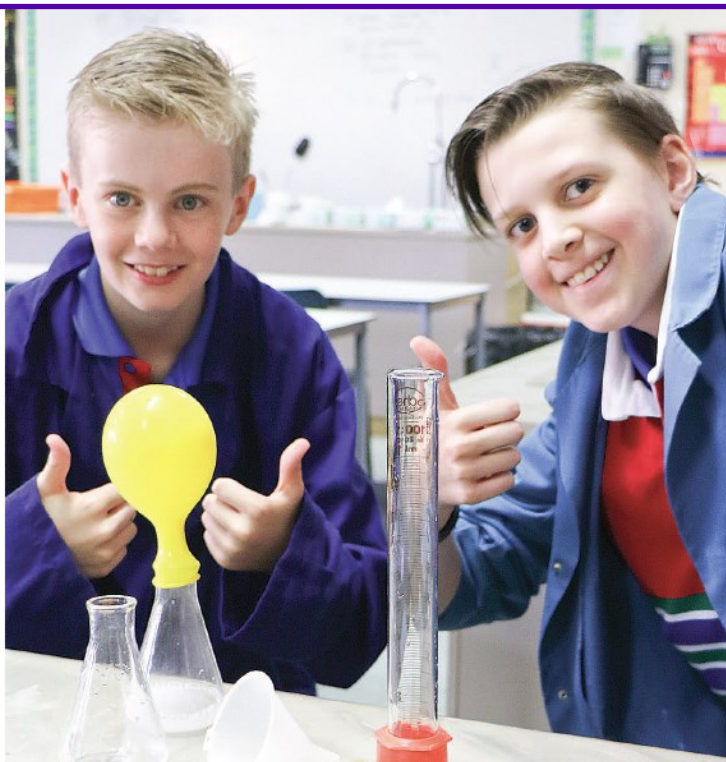
See us at work during our

COLLEGE TOURS

Friday, March 6, 13 & 20
Commencing 9.15am

Meet the principal, David Leslie.
Student led tours and morning tea.

ALL WELCOME



FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - TEACHING AND LEARNING

In the past two weeks all of our Junior School Students have completed assessments using the VCAA OnDemand Tests. This will provide our teaching staff with valuable information for where each student is at in their learning journey and what they are ready to learn. The data will be used by teachers to ensure we plan for accelerated rate of progression for each student in literacy and numeracy.

PARENT ACCESS MODULE (PAM)

We acknowledge that engaged parents help improve learning outcomes for students. In a busy world, SIMON provides you with real-time updates on your child's attendance and learning progress as well as detailed reporting to keep you informed. You can access this information through the Parent Access Module (PAM). Please ensure your PAM account is active and the medical details have been completed. In the near future we will be transitioning towards using PAM for our permission forms for excursions and other school activities.

Key Advantages:

- Keep up to date with your children's progress in real-time
- Download official school reports
- Access school documents, calendars and messages

If you require any assistance with SIMON please contact College Reception.

LEARNING FRAMEWORK @ MARY MACKILLOP COLLEGE

The College Framework is designed to help each student achieve their personal best and to encourage them to become lifelong learners. The framework encompasses four areas. One of the focuses we ask students to take in their learning, is that of "TAKING OWNERSHIP". So what does this entail?

The student can:

- Recognise and discuss the purpose and process of the learning task, that is they understand and can articulate what they are learning and why
- Make decisions that enable them to produce high quality work that they are proud of
- Explain how they can participate actively in the classroom and demonstrate an interest in their learning
- Reflect on and evaluate their work ethic and effort during learning
- Create a study plan for home to as to maximise their learning opportunities
- For senior school students; being aware of the time provided at school for study and ensuring they use this time effectively

EDROLO

Edrolo is a comprehensive, premium, interactive online video and exam simulation resource for the VCE, providing our students with the best opportunity to perform to their potential throughout the year. We have assessed the resource and are confident it is an extremely valuable investment for our teaching and learning culture.

You can see Edrolo in action by visiting this link: www.edrolo.com.au/parents

Edrolo is currently used by over 700+ schools and 85,000+ students. Crafted by outstanding VCE teachers (including exam assessors and textbook authors) and built in accordance with VCAA Study Designs, its curriculum-specific and engaging content will provide our students with a differentiated and targeted level of support as they prepare for their most important examinations.

How will our students and teachers use Edrolo?

Our teachers are provided with training on how to best utilise the resource, and you should expect them to guide students to make full use of Edrolo in a range of ways across the year, including:

- Holiday homework
- Pre-class work
- Post-class consolidation
- Assessment preparation and
- Exam revision

This week all Year 11 and 12 students have had a guest presentation from Edrolo show them around the resources, and demonstrated to them how to make the most of this resource in their VCE studies. Using Edrolo to support and supplement their classwork is another way our senior students can demonstrate that they are taking ownership of their learning and endeavouring to get the best results they can achieve.

Jodie Connell
Deputy Principal
Teaching and Learning



FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL CATHOLIC IDENTITY AND MISSION



Please read this as preparation for Ash Wednesday. This year we celebrate Ash Wednesday on February 26. The College will celebrate a Mass in Pioneer Hall.

Years 7 and 9 will celebrate a special liturgy on their respective Camps.

The tradition of marking the forehead with ash on Ash Wednesday can be traced back to the ancient Jewish action of dusting oneself with ash as a sign of repentance and mourning for wrongful actions. It was a public declaration of the acknowledgement of the wrong and the commitment to turn one's life around and try not to make the same mistake again. It remains a public declaration that during the period of Lent those who wear the cross of ash are going to attempt to turn around their lives and re-focus themselves more fully on God.

Ash Wednesday derives its name from the practice of blessing ashes made from palm branches blessed on the previous year's Palm Sunday and placing them on the heads of participants to the accompaniment of the words "Repent, and believe in the Gospel". The ashes we will receive are a reminder of the simpleness of life. As you are marked with these ashes, we remember that we are not perfect. The cross on our forehead reminds us that we have sinned.

John Ryan

Deputy Principal

Catholic Identity and Mission



Mary MacKillop College
South Gippsland
5662 4255



**PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL
WHEN YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT
PRIOR TO 10:00AM BY:**



Phone



Flexibuzz



PAM by 8:45am



Email

attendance@mmcrc.catholic.edu.au

YEAR 7

MASS OF WELCOME

On Tuesday 3rd March the College will conduct the "Mass of Welcome" to celebrate the arrival of Year 7 students and their families to our College Community.

Our Mass will commence at 6.00 pm followed by a shared dinner.

The College will provide sausages, hamburgers, salads, bread and cordial.

BYO rug and/or chairs

Students are required to wear full College uniform, including blazer

This is an informal evening for teachers, leaders, students, parents and guardians to get together and meet each other in a relaxed setting. During the evening Year 7 Class Captains will be awarded their badges. Please come along to join the College Community, as we work in partnership through the exciting journey that is secondary schooling.

In order to assist with our catering please complete the reply slip on the form your child will bring home, making note of any special dietary requirements.

We look forward to seeing you this evening.



AMBULANCE MEMBERS

All families are encouraged to be members of the ambulance service. At times of accidents or illness, the First Aid trained staff member/s in attendance will make a decision as to whether or not they should request the attendance of the ambulance service.

In doing so, the health and safety of the patient will be the only determining factor. Ambulance membership, or potential costs to families will not be a point of consideration. Such a decision will always be made with a conservative 'better safe than sorry' attitude. Parents (or next of kin for an adult) will always be contacted as soon as possible so that they may be in attendance when the ambulance arrives. A familiar staff member will always accompany a student to the hospital if the attending ambulance officer approves.

Thank you

Introducing our new staff!



Mr Shane King
Teacher Librarian

What is your previous experience?

Started teaching in Mount Gambier 1999. Have taught at 4 South Australian government schools, schools in England and most recently at St John's Grammar School in Adelaide. Have had the role of Teacher Librarian for the past 17 years. Taught English and Humanities during that time.

What is your role at MMC?

Teacher Librarian and English teacher.

Do you have local connections?

Not at all we have taken our young family on an adventure to a lovely part of the world. We knew no-one before we arrived but everyone has been very friendly and welcoming.

What are your first impressions of MMC?

A wonderful school with excellent staff and friendly students eager to learn. The school population is growing rapidly and it is a really dynamic and exciting time to be here.



Miss Georgia Townley
Teacher

What is your previous experience?

I spent four years at Northcote High School teaching English and Psychology and was Year 7 Co-ordinator. I then went to Carey Baptist Grammar school where I taught VCE and IB Psychology

What is your role at MMC?

My role at MMC is an English teacher of year 8's, 10's, 11's and 12's. I also have a year 9 homeroom and teach them RE.

Do you have local connections?

My partner Anthony grew up in Inverloch and has been wanting us to move down for many years. We are now building a house there and I'm very happy to have moved out of the very busy Brunswick, where I grew up.

What are your first impressions of MMC?

My first impressions of MMC is that everyone is so lovely and friendly, this is the teachers, students and families. It's lovely to be in a smaller school than I have been in the past, as I can make more meaningful connections with so many more staff and students.



Mrs Sandra Lyle
Teacher

What is your previous experience?

Penola Catholic College, Broadmeadows: Senior Biology and Chemistry Teacher and teacher or Science and Mathematics. Various leadership roles including Assistant-Head of Science Faculty, Year 7 Transition co-ordinator, Year 9 Year Level Coordinator.

Valentine High School, England: Worked in England as a Science teacher for 12 months as part of a work holiday.

St Monica's Secondary College, Epping Replacement position – Senior Biology Teacher.

Newhaven College: Senior Biology & General Mathematics teacher, General Mathematics & Science Teacher.

What is your role at MMC?

Years 10-12 Chemistry Teacher and Year 8-9 Science Teacher

Do you have local connections?

My children play junior hockey for the Drouin Hockey Club.

What are your first impressions of MMC?



Mrs Leigh Shelley-McCahon
Learning Adjustment Leader

What is your previous experience?

I came to South Gippsland in the 90s and worked in an early intervention role with preschool children with special needs/disabilities. I have spent the last 18 years or so at Korumburra Primary School working in various roles teaching and coaching teachers. While employed in the State Education System, I've had the fortune to be trained, and therefore worked as a literacy specialist teacher and adviser, as well as a maths specialist.

What is your role at MMC?

Learning Adjustment Leader.

Do you have local connections?

In the past, with two daughters growing up heavily involved in netball and some basketball. I've had prior connections to Leongatha Basketball and Leongatha Football Netball Club. Go Parrots!

What are your first impressions of MMC?

I have been made to feel most welcome. From day one I have sensed that I'm surrounded by a friendly, supportive group of adults working here who also care deeply about the students' learning. As well, I feel the environment is full of many friendly happy students. Those I've met, I've thoroughly enjoyed chatting with them.



Mrs Marie King
Teacher

What is your previous experience?

Up until recently I have been working as a part time English teacher at Concordia College for the last 10 years, this is a Lutheran school in Adelaide and a part time university tutor at UniSA in English Education for pre service teachers, I also have four children and have been a stay at home mum for some of this time! I worked at Mount Gambier High School for 7 years before that.

What is your role at MMC?

I work as an English and Literature teacher. I am also the new debating coach!

Do you have local connections?

A part from being married to the new MMC teacher librarian Mr King our family is new to the area. I was born in the UK and most of my family live overseas.

What are your first impressions of MMC?

I've been really impressed with the warm and helpful attitude of the students and the staff. Our daughter is at MMC in Year 7, our other two at St Laurence's and George at the Leongatha Children's Centre—so we are really enjoying getting to know people in the whole



Miss Kelly Gordon
Teacher

What is your previous experience?

Completed a four year double degree at Monash University Peninsula – Bachelor of Sport and Outdoor Recreation & Bachelor of Secondary Education. Three years of teaching at Aquinas College in Ringwood. School of 1700 students. Teaching year 7-11. Subjects included Pastoral, Health and PE, RE, VCAL - Personal Development, Coaching and Sports Science.

What is your role at MMC?

Year 7 Homeroom teacher. Teacher of Health and PE, RE and Humanities.

Do you have local connections?

Born and grown up in Leongatha with family all living in the area. Past student of Mary MacKillop, Class of 2009

What are your first impressions of MMC?

MMC is such a welcoming environment with a culture of student wellbeing and growth. As someone who has always had a connection with Mary MacKillop, my transition back into the College as a now staff member has been supportive and exciting.



Mr Chris Spencer
Teacher

What is your previous experience?

Health and Physical Education teacher at Our Lady of Mercy College, Heidelberg (2009-2019)
Year 10-12 Wellbeing Coordinator at Our Lady mercy College, Heidelberg (2015-2019)

What is your role at MMC?

Health and Physical Education Teacher (Years 7, 9 12) and Religious Education Teacher (Year 7 and 11)

Do you have local connections?

Grew up in Inverloch, Attended Inverloch Primary School and Wonthaggi Secondary College, Play football for Inverloch-Kongwak Football Netball Club

What are your first impressions of MMC?

Very supportive and dedicated teaching staff. Friendly and eager students.



Mr Robert Ryan
Teacher

What is your previous experience?

I am passionate about learning and teaching languages. I completed a Bachelor of Languages majoring in French, during my studies I spent a year at the University of Angers in France. This was my first trip to France, it instilled in me a love of the country and in particular the Loire Valley.

What is your role at MMC?

French Teacher

Do you have local connections?

Originally from country New South Wales I have recently moved to the South Gippsland area and look forward to getting to know the region and the local community.

What are your first impressions of MMC?

I have received a great welcome at MMCRC and I have been impressed by the accepting and caring nature of the staff.



Mrs Dianne Hancock
Teacher

What is your previous experience?

I have been teaching at MMC as a Casual Relief Teacher on and off since 2011. I have previously taught maths in Shepparton, Foster and Wonthaggi, VCE Chemistry and Outdoor Education, and many subjects in many places. I have taught Science in the USA and English in South Korea and China.

What is your role at MMC?

I am teaching Maths here for years 7, 8 and 10.

Do you have local connections?

I'm originally from Melbourne, but I've lived permanently in Leongatha since 2011. I started a Joey Scout mob in Leongatha this year, and my husband and son are involved in local sports.

What are your first impressions of MMC?

My first impressions happened many years ago!



Ms Joanna Jacobs
Teacher

What is your previous experience?

My previous experience is both in Secondary and Primary school and I've worked as a talent agent for over 10 years. I really enjoy encouraging young people to excel.

What is your role at MMC?

I am the other drama teacher. I teach years 7,8,9 and 10. One of the students asked me who I most enjoyed working with and I can say all year levels.

Do you have local connections?

My son and I moved to Korumburra 5 years ago and I started a little drama school. I have a handful of students and we have so much fun. I usually do at least 3 plays a year.

What are your first impressions of MMC?

My first impression of MMC is wow! The kids are super friendly and polite. It is a reflection of the wider community.



**Miss Katherine
Fitzgerald
Teacher**

What is your previous experience?

I am a first year graduate, so this is my first true experience of teaching in a classroom. I have taught at Leongatha Secondary College, Catholic Ladies College of Eltham and Mary MacKillop Catholic College, while on placement.

What is your role at MMC?

I am the homeroom teacher of 10D and also a mathematics teacher. I have classes in Year 7 and 9. As well as the advanced mathematics class in Year 10 and a General Mathematics class in Year 11.

Do you have local connections?

I am originally from Leongatha, went to primary school at St Laurance's and secondary school here at Mary MacKillop. I still have family and friends here, as well as being a volunteer fire fighter at Ruby CFA.

What are your first impressions of MMC?

Well, my very first impression of Mary MacKillop was in Year 7 and all I can remember about that was how excited I was. That was mainly because I was finally getting to go to school with one of my family friends. Second time around, returning as a teacher, I get the feeling that not much has changed. Not only does it still look visually beautiful and some of the same teachers are here, but the feeling is still the same. You still feel included, heard and apart of something special.



**Mrs Rosemary Drenen
Teacher**

What is your previous experience?

Have been a teacher for 36 years across the Latrobe Valley, Brisbane and Melbourne. Have experience in the following areas : Teacher of Humanities, English and RE, Year Level Well-being Coordinator, Learning Area Leader, Daily/College Organisation and Timetabling

What is your role at MMC?

Role at MMCRC – Replacement Teacher

Do you have local connections?

Know very little about Leongatha and travel from Warragul, but happy to get to know this beautiful part of Gippsland

What are your first impressions of MMC?

Work colleagues at MMCRC have been supportive and friendly and nothing has been too much trouble. Some have gone above and beyond to ensure new staff are travelling ok.



Miss Beth McRae

**2020 AFL Sports Ready
Trainee**

What is your previous experience?

Last year I completed Year 12 at Mary MacKillop.

What is your role at MMC?

I have an AFL Sports Ready Traineeship in which I work in learning support for one year.

Do you have local connections?

I have always lived in Wonthaggi and for 6 years travelled by bus to come to school at Mary MacKillop.

What are your first impressions of MMC?

My first impressions of working at Mary MacKillop are that the staff and students are very welcoming and it was an easier transition from student to staff member than I thought it would be.



Miss Milly Allen

**2020 AFL Sports Ready
Trainee**

What is your previous experience?

Being a student here at Mary MacKillop.

What is your role at MMC?

I am the AFL Sports Ready Trainee completing a Certificate III in Sport and Recreation.

Do you have local connections?

Yes I have a lot of family and friends from around Leongatha.

What are your first impressions of MMC?

I thought the school was very welcoming starting here as a student in year 7, and have the same feeling coming back as a staff member this year.

SWIMMING SPORTS

AGE CHAMPIONS

MALE

12-13 Max Sheahan and Mitchell Croatto
U 14 Rem Dal Pozzo
U 15 Kuga Heenan
U 16 Patrick Duncan
U 17 Alex Duncan
U 18 Aaron Trease

FEMALE

12-13 Tyla Peters
U 14 Milli MacKay
U 15 Gabrielle Perry
U 16 Jessica Zubcic
U 17 Jamilla Enbom
U 18 Arlie Whiteside



HOUSE RESULTS	
1st Cameron	- 554.5
2nd Chisholm	- 546
3rd Tenison	- 481
4th MacDonald	



LEGO CLUB



Wednesday 19 February saw the 'beginning' of the all new Mary MacKillop Lego Club for 2020. The club has run in previous years, however, this year we are planning to improve on student numbers, ideas and perhaps some new Lego.

Our meeting on Wednesday had all the members discussing a variety of ideas including: name tags, shirts and perhaps our own Mary MacKillop Lego logo.

Any students interested in Lego are invited to come along to the Mary MacKillop Lego Club which is running each Wednesday at lunchtime, in the library. You are required only to bring a good attitude and a sense of fun.

Please eat your lunch prior to entering library.

James Wearne

MY FIRST DAY AT MARY MACKILLOP - YEAR 7

The days prior to my first day were a roller coaster with all the stress about whether I had all my books and uniform.

Once I got to school life was good. I got a terrific homeroom teacher her name is Mrs Leslie. I got seated next to Max and Sam and honestly there is never a dull moment in this class.

Alexis McGuire

I was overwhelmed by the size of the school and all the different subjects we were going to be doing. It was also amazing to see how many students there was I also didn't really know who to hang out with.

After school I was really worried about what bus I needed to catch but I managed to get on the right bus. When I got home, I told my parents all about my day. I was so excited for the next day I couldn't get to sleep that night.

Koen Morton

Arriving at school with Mum and Dad was a bit embarrassing but I'm glad they were there. I remember looking at my locker and thinking how do I fit all my books in this locker but I'm making it work.

It's been a great day been lot's of fun especially when I got the Mac Book.

It was the best day of my life, well so far !

Cameron Bruce

I got to school and I was so excited to start fresh at my new school MMCRC but I wasn't very excited to go to school with my brothers but I was really happy to have all different subjects to learn about.

I met the BEST TEACHER EVER MRS LESLIE, she is so helpful and caring, she is the best and makes everyone feel so welcome.

I had so much fun !!!!

Audrey McGannon

There I was at high school the moment I have been waiting for my whole life to be a big kid, but when I actually thought about it I was at the bottom of the school again. We didn't have a canteen at primary school so it was fun to get lollies and stuff.

At recess all my friends and I just ran and walked around and played on the playground.

It was a lot of fun !!!!

Angus McInnes

In my class everyone is so friendly and sometimes a little bit annoying to the teachers but we are OBVIOUSLY the best class EVER.

My first day of high school was a blast, I met so many new people, I got to experience what my older sister experienced and I love it here.

Maddy Delaney

Arriving at school I was so excited to meet new friends. For the first period it was kind of easy, easier than primary school because we have text books.

My day was GREAT !!!

Sam Daldy

All the classes we did were really fun and I got picked to go around the school with Mrs Leslie and take some pictures for the 'Star' newspaper. It was really fun but we also had to jump up and down so many times just to get a perfect photo.

My first day of Year 7 was the best day ever !!!

Gretchen Clarke

CANTEEN NEWS

Monday 24 February	Nicky Bland
Tuesday 25 February	Cathy Waldron
Wednesday 26 February	Tracey Goodwin
Thursday 27 February	Melanie Hebert
Friday 28 February	Nathan Johnston

Monday 2 March	Tracey Gollop
Tuesday 3 March	Andrea Walker
Wednesday 4 March	Leah Dal Pozzo
Thursday 5 March	Laura Nicholas
Friday 6 March	Cath Bessel Brown

Monday 9 March	LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY
Tuesday 10 March	Claire Blackford
Wednesday 11 March	Moirra Alford
Thursday 12 March	Melinda Hams
Friday 13 March	Danielle Lorkin

Monday 16 March	Samantha Hampstead
Tuesday 17 March	HOUSE ATHLETICS
Wednesday 18 March	Christie Hall
Thursday 19 March	Michelle LeMaitre
Friday 20 March	Angela Bye

2020	
24-28 Feb	Year 9 OEG Camp
26 Feb	ASH WEDNESDAY
26-28 Feb	Year 7 Phillip Island Camp
3 March	Year 7 Welcome Mass 6pm
9 March	LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY
17 March	HOUSE ATHLETIC SPORTS
17 March	PARENTS & FRIENDS MEETING 7.30pm
19 March	Parent Teacher Interviews - Leongatha
24 March	Parent Teacher Interviews - Wonthaggi
27 March	EASTER LITURGY Last Day of Term 1
5 May	PARENTS & FRIENDS AGM MEETING 7.30pm
30 May	Debutante Ball

UNIFORM SHOP & CANTEEN
 Uniform Shop is open each Friday
 from
 12.50 pm - 1.35 pm
 Canteen is open Monday - Friday

WE NEED
 VOLUNTEERS

**CAN YOU
 HELP?**

**MMC Parents and Friends are looking
 for volunteers to help in the Canteen
 and/or Uniform Shop. Please contact
 the General Office with your details.**

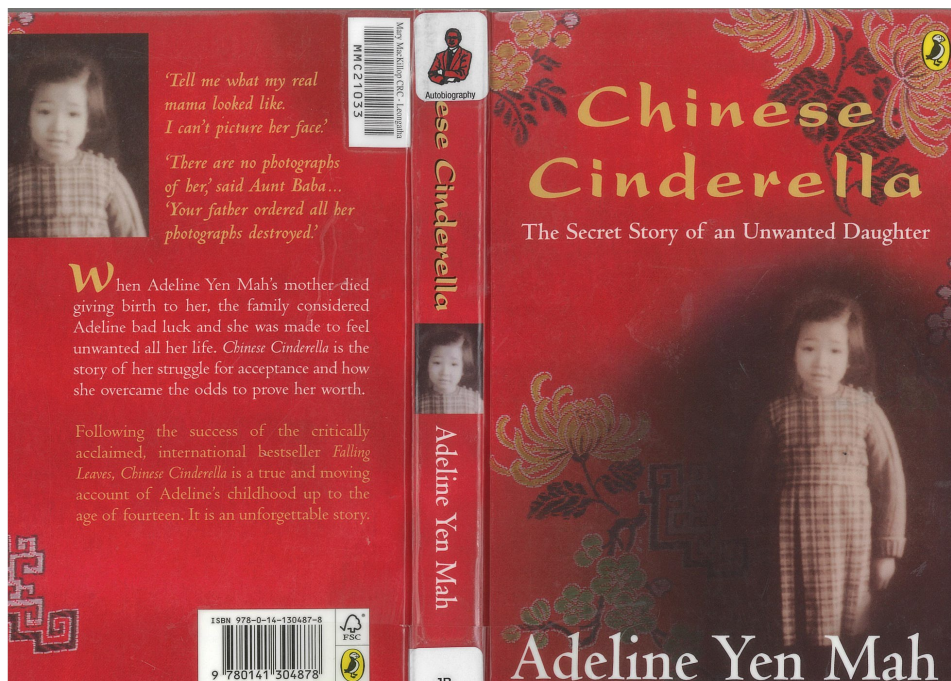
Phone 56624255

Thank you!



**A new soft shell Sport Jacket is being
 added to our PE Uniform!**

These Jackets will not be available until the end of
 Term 1. The cost of these will be approximately \$90.
 Any student waiting for a College Sport Jacket may
 wear their own Jacket for sport until the new ones
 arrive.



CHINESE CINDERELLA RAFFLE

Do you have a copy of 'Chinese Cinderella' lying around at home ??

Donate it to the Library to have your name recorded between now and the end of the year for a double chance to enter our Term 1, 2020 Raffle

COLLEGE HATS



A reminder that hats are compulsory for students/staff to wear in Terms 1 & 4. Students and staff will also be encouraged to apply sunscreen. This policy applies at all times, both timetabled outdoor activities, recess and lunchtimes.

Hats are currently available for the price of \$12.00.

Hats are available from the uniform shop and the Office.

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS

Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund payment arrangements

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card as at the 28th January 2020 are eligible to apply for a payment of \$225, which will be paid directly to the College to be used towards camps, sports and excursion costs.

Application forms to be completed and lodged with schools. However, the schools will be able to accept and process applications up until 26th June 2020. Regular payment runs will occur throughout terms one and two.

Families wishing to apply for the payment should visit the CSEF website at www.education.vic.gov.au/csef and download an application form, complete and return to school by 26th June, or alternatively pickup an application form from the College office.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the College Office on 5662 4255.

2020 SCHOOL FEES

The 2020 School Fees for Mary MacKillop Catholic College have been approved by the DOSCEL Board.

The College has endeavoured to keep fee rises to a minimum whilst maintaining excellent curriculum and facilities.

The School Fees for 2020 are:

One Student Family - \$4,746 plus \$466 Capital Levy
Two Student Family - \$8,543 plus \$466 Capital Levy
Three or more Student Family - \$11,153 plus \$466 Capital Levy

Discounts will continue to apply to the tuition fee component as per the College School Fee Policy. The Capital Levy is a per family compulsory fee to assist with the ongoing capital requirements of the College.

Our preferred method of payment is direct debit for ease of payment but there are a variety of payment methods available. Should any family need to discuss fee payment arrangements, please contact the Finance Department.

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