Dear Parents and Friends of Mt St Patrick College,

First on the North Coast

Mt St Patrick College received very pleasing results in the 2013 Higher School Certificate. The College was the highest ranked school in the local area for the eighth consecutive year confirming our place as the best academic school locally.

The College was also ranked in the Top 200 Schools in the State for the eighth consecutive year with a rank of 186 out of more than 700 schools offering the HSC. Students were named thirty eight times in the Board of Studies Distinguished Achievers List for obtaining a Band 6, a mark of 90 or above, in a subject. This was the highest number of Band 6’s received by any school in the immediate area despite our relatively small size. Band 6’s were distributed across most subjects with General Mathematics receiving 7; Community and Family Studies 5; PDHPE 4; Biology 3; Visual Arts 3 and Mathematics 2.

Outstanding individual results included Georgina Doyle 97 in Senior Science; Jordan Short 95 in Industrial Technology; Benjamin Harris 94 in General Mathematics; Zoe Heiniger 94 in PDHPE and Nardia Hancock 94 in Visual Arts.

Jordan Short had his major work in Industrial Technology selected in InTECH 2014, an exhibition of the best major works in that subject in the 2013 Higher School Certificate. Jordan is the first Mt St Patrick College Industrial Technology student to have his major work recognised in this way.

Eliza Miller had her major work in Visual Arts selected in ArtEXPRESS, an exhibition of the best major works in Visual Arts in the 2013 Higher School Certificate. 2013 was the first time that two students in the same cohort have had their major works selected for exhibition because of their outstanding quality.

Seven students received and ATAR above 90 which placed them in the top 10% in the State.

SRC Induction Mass

The induction of the 2014 Student Representative Councillors was held on Friday 7th February in the Sacred Heart Church in the presence of parents, staff and students. During the Induction Ceremony, Fr David blessed the SRC badges before the Captains and Councillors were presented with their symbol of office by the Principal. The Captains and Councillors then made their pledge of loyalty to staff and students.

Congratulations to the following students on their induction to the 2014 Student Representative Council:

**College Captains**
Abi Hails, Jack Baker-Sime

**Year 12 SRC**
Joseph Camilleri, Luke McDonald, Tanaya Narbey,
Alicia Newell, Morgan Reid, Matthew Thackray

**Year 11 SRC**
Luke Byatt, Graden Dare, Jessica King,
Maddison King, Reece Palmer, Emily Payne
Year 10 SRC
Darcey James, Eva Kettle, Billi Lansky, Harry Sherrah

An Exciting Finish
The points score at the 52\textsuperscript{nd} Annual Inter-House Swimming Carnival held on Friday 14\textsuperscript{th} February was so close that the last event of the day, the relays, determined the ultimate winner of the Monsignor Michael Quinn Memorial Trophy. Before the relays, Loreto had a slim 3 point lead over Lisieux and a 40 point lead over Lucan. Any one of these three Houses had a chance of winning the Trophy.

The relays were worth double points with first place earning forty points for their House. Lisieux won a total of 380 points from the relays while Loreto won 320, Lucan 312 and Nagle 280 points. Lisieux won the Trophy for the tenth consecutive year in a very close and exciting finish. Lisieux finished only 42 points ahead of Loreto, 79 points ahead of Lucan and 299 points ahead of Nagle.

Twenty one records were broken on the day, four of which were set in 1995 by Kendall Shaw. Madelene Northeast broke Kendall’s Under 13 year’s 50 metre Butterfly and Freestyle records and then, in the next heats, Madelene’s two new records was broken by Anthea Warne in a time of 33.31 and 29.26 seconds, respectively.

Congratulations to the new record holders: Anthea Warne (5); Ela Heiniger (5); Nicholas Myler (4); Madelene Northeast (3); Grace Smith (1), Ben Felton (1), Russell Chandler (1) and Jacob McRae (1).

Thank you to the parents who attended the Carnival, to those who assisted in the preparation and selling of food in the Parents and Friends’ tent and to the many parents who donated goods to the Parents’ and Friends’. Thanks also to the Parents’ and Friends’ Association for organising the food as a fundraising event for the College.

Open Day
Open Day will be held on Thursday 20th March, 2014. Further details will be provided in the next Newsletter. The closing date for the acceptance of Enrolment Application Forms for Year 7, 2015 is Friday 4\textsuperscript{th} April, 2014.

Parents’ and Friends’ Association
At the Annual General Meeting of the Mt St Patrick College Parents’ and Friend’s Association held on Monday 10th February elections were held for office bearers for the new school year. Congratulations to the 2014 Executive:

- President: Mrs Liz Chauvier
- Vice President: Mrs Cathy Cripps
- Secretary: Ms Mary-anne Thackray
- Treasurer: Mrs Kath Mumford

The Annual General Meeting voted to leave the annual subscription fee at $2.00. Parents are encouraged to show their support of the Association by subscribing to the Parents’ and Friends’. The next meeting will be held on Monday 10th March beginning at 6.30pm in the Staff Lunchroom.

Record Enrolment
On Friday 29\textsuperscript{th} January, 2013, the first day when all students returned to school for the 2014 school year, enrolments reached, and exceeded, 700 for the first time. As at the Census Date on 14\textsuperscript{th} February, 2014, enrolments total 726. Enrolments in Year 11 exceeded 100 for the first time with 111 enrolled. Other figures are as follows:

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Sympathy
The tragic death occurred on Thursday 13th February, as a result of a tractor accident, of Michael Thompson, the husband of Dr Caroline Thompson, the Leader of Pedagogy at Mt St Patrick College. Please remember Caroline and their children, Rebecca and David, in your prayers at this very sad time.

In Hoc Signo Spes Mea

Tony Daly
Principal

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

NSW ADOLESCENT VACCINATION PROGRAM 2014
This program will offer free Hepatitis B, Varicella (Chickenpox), and Booster (Diphtheria, Tetanus & Whooping Cough) vaccinations to all Year 7 students and Gardasil (HPV) to boys in Year 9. These students received Information Kits regarding this program in homerooms on Tuesday 18th February. The enclosed Consent Form for each vaccine must be returned to the student’s homeroom teacher by Tuesday 25th February if you wish to take advantage of this program. If there is no signed Consent Form, the injection cannot be given.

A team of specially trained registered nurses will be visiting the College to administer the first dose of the vaccines on Wednesday morning 26th February, 2014. After the children have been vaccinated they will be given a Record of Vaccination to take home so that you can keep their immunization records up to date. The date for the second injections is Wednesday 7th May and the final doses will be given on Tuesday 10th September.

If you do not have your child immunized in the year (e.g. Yr 7) that it is offered, then you can access this vaccine at a later stage at your GP’s. However, the cost of the vaccine will not be covered by this program.

Parents who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the Principal. Parents with any questions or concerns can ring Bernadette at the North Coast Public Health Unit on 66 207503.

More information included at the back of this Newsletter.
Mary-Anne McShane
Assistant Principal

A range of services are provided by school chaplains and student welfare workers including:
- support and guidance about ethics, values, relationships and spirituality
- provision of pastoral care
- engagement with the broader community.

I have been employed for the past two years as the School Chaplain/Student Welfare Worker through the above Program and have again been employed for the 2014 school year.

Please be advised that student participation in The National School Chaplaincy and Student Welfare Program is totally voluntary. Please call the College Office if you do not wish your child to take part in any programs through the above Scheme and their name will then be recorded on a register.

Maureen Reynolds

FROM THE SPORTS DESK

SWIMMING CARNIVAL REPORT
A tremendous day was had by all at last Friday’s (14th Feb) Swimming Carnival. Lisieux were looking to complete a “Decade of Dominance” in the pool and early on things did not quite work out that way for the Red Army. A score check at the halfway mark had Lisieux narrowly in second position. This must have spurred them into action. With all the relays left the might of the Red Army’s swimmers came to the fore. At the end of the day it was Lisieux captains Rob Shepherd and Indianna Mulders who lifted the trophy for Lisieux for a tenth straight year.

It was a fast day in the pool indeed, with some 21 records broken. This feat was completed by only 8 swimmers. A special mention must go to Madelene Northeast who broke two 19 year old records only to have them surpassed in the very next heat by Anthea Warne. Well done both girls – exceptional swimming! Check out the carnival results below:

2014 INTERHOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS
The final point score was as follows:

1st LISIEUX − 1453pts
2nd LORETO − 1411pts
3rd LUCAN − 1374pts
4th NAGLE − 1154pts

The winning house of the participation points was as follows:

1st LISIEUX − 278 competitors
2nd NAGLE − 260 competitors
3rd LUCAN − 255 competitors
4th LORETO − 251 competitors
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AGE CHAMPIONS

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NEW RECORDS: LISTED AT THE END OF THIS NEWSLETTER

DIOCESAN SWIMMING

32 students selected from our College Carnival will represent MSPC at the Diocesan Swimming Carnival to be contested at Banora Point Pool on Thursday 6th March. We wish the team much success and expect to hear news from team managers Mr Wilson and Mrs Staunton in our next Newsletter.

STATE HOCKEY SELECTION

In 2013 I was selected in the squad for the Queensland Under 15 State Hockey Team. Last weekend the 18th and 19th February I travelled to Brisbane to attend a final selection trial. There were 50 girls displaying their skills trying to make the team. When I arrived we were put into 4 teams and over the course of the weekend we played the other teams at least twice. On Tuesday 27th February the 2 state teams were announced on the Queensland Hockey website. I was selected in the number 2 team. I now have to travel to Hobart in April, for the Under 15 Australian Championships.

Chloe Saddler (Yr9)

Tim Whitney
Sports Co-ordinator

TAS NEWS

YEAR 7 TECHNOLOGY

Equipment Requirements include:
- Solid upper shoes and a clean apron for the Food Technology room when cooking and same for the Timber/Plastics/Metals workshop.
- No mesh joggers are permitted due to Work, Health and Safety hazards in the workshop and kitchen.
- Other Units require closed-in shoes to be worn.
- Students also need to bring to each class the Technology Student Workbook provided by the College, and the Visual Journal, which was included in the Stationary Pack. Students who missed out on getting a Visual Journal by not buying the Stationary Pack can purchase a Visual Journal from the College TAS Department. Students need to see myself or Mr Keogh.

Catherine Ord
Leader of Learning: TAS

BEACON OVERVIEW

- This system recognises and rewards student effort.
- The students will be monitored for effort by subject teachers over a 3 – 4 week period. This is called a Beacon Cycle.
- The individual subject scores will be averaged to produce the Average Beacon Score for the Cycle.
- These scores will be sent home with your child in the form of a certificate to give you feedback.

The Score

- 10 – Outstanding/perfect effort in every aspect of the subject
- 9 – High level effort
- 8 – Sound/All round effort
- 7 – Satisfactory effort
- 6 – Limited effort/causing concern
- 5 – Poor effort
- 1 – Student fails to submit an assessment task.

Any score lower than a 7 – has consequences
- An Orange Card will be issued to your child if an individual subject has a score of 6, 5 or 1
  - The student needs to see the subject teacher to find out how they can improve their effort.
  - The student will then have a timeframe to improve their effort.
  - Failure to do anything to improve their effort can result in a Red Card and withdrawal from extra-curricular activities.
- A Red Card will be issued if the average Beacon Score is below 7.
  - The students will be withdrawn from extra-curricular activities until they make an effort to improve as instructed by class teachers.
- This system should have a positive focus:
  - Rewarding students for their hard work.
  - Recognising students who are trying to improve their effort.
  - Motivating students to do their best.
- There will be 5 Beacon Cycles this year.

Beacon Cycle 1
- Open Monday Week 5, February 24th.
- Closes Friday Week 8, March 21st.
- Results sent home Week 9.

Mrs Louise Shields
Leader of Wellbeing: Nagle

ROLLOUT OF NEW STUDENT LAPTOPS

New HP430 Probook Laptop computers have recently been issued to all Year 10 and Year 7 students. All devices are protected with McAfee anti-virus software, a three-year HP warranty and a three-year Accidental Damage Protection Plan. As part of the students laptop program, the College maintains a Help Desk which students can use to access warranty and accidental damage claims as well as other hardware and software issues.
The rollout provided students with a workshop during which a comprehensive tutorial was given and the devices were set up to access College network services and software.

Every student received a document entitled ‘Students Netbook User Manual’ which specifies College rules for laptop use, Health and Safety Guidelines, Cyber Safety Guidelines and Technical Support information, as well as many other important aspects of the scheme.

Students were ‘walked through’ the contents of the document and were asked to let their parents familiarise themselves with its contents in order to assist with the continued success of the laptop scheme.

As part of the laptop rollout, all students in Years 7, 8 and 10 have completed a Digital Citizenship Questionnaire and attended an information workshop conducted by Catholic Schools Office staff who have expertise and knowledge in the field of Cyber Safety and Digital Health and Safety. It is essential that all computer users improve their awareness of Digital Citizenship and Safe on-line practices.

Parents are encouraged to visit websites dedicated to these issues. Three of these are listed on page 4 of the Student Netbook User Manual under the heading of Health and Safety Considerations when using Netbooks.

Our ongoing aim is to promote better learning outcomes through enriched learning activities with the use of laptop computers as well as to protect the health and safety of student users. As well, many of our rules and procedures aim to maintain the laptops in good working order, protect your investment and ensure that the student’s device is ready to use for educational activities at all times. We thank you for your continued support of our goals.

Mr Peter Storey
College Network Co-ordinator

ROSARY BEADING
At Mass on Australia Day Fr David blessed 620 sets of Rosary Beads, some of which were made by the students at our College. We make them from strings and beads which are donated by the Servants of Mary. When the beads are finished the Legion of Mary in our parish organise them into parcels and send them to countries where they are needed. This last batch was destined for Tanzania in Africa and Christmas Island for the refugees. If anyone would like to join our crafty crew you’ll find us outside the Art Room at lunchtime on Thursdays. You will be most welcome! Philomena Zambelli.

AWARDS

YEAR 11

LISIEUX
CO-ORDINATOR’S AWARDS
Angela Hill

LORETO
CO-ORDINATOR’S AWARDS
Brendon Mitchell

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS
Tamika Baker, McKenzie Currey-Klepp

LUCAN
CO-ORDINATOR’S AWARDS
Sophie Kirk, Keiara McMaster

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

Pottsville Beach Football (Soccer) Club is seeking players for the competition grades.

Ages 12 to 16, both girls and boys, are all welcome. Register by 28/02/2014.

Go ONLINE to register @ pottsvillebeachfootballclub@gmail.com, if you have any queries contact via email to pottsvillebeachfc@ffnc.net.au

Come Play Soccer!
NEW SWIMMING RECORDS FOR 2014

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Scope and Sequence Plan – Yr 7 – 2014 Line 1

MT ST PATRICK COLLEGE
Technology (Mandatory) Yr 7 - 2014 & Yr8 - 2015 Stage 4
Scope and Sequence Plan – Yr 7 – 2014 Line 2

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Vaccine Information for Year 7 and 9 Students

Each year NSW Health offers the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school vaccination program.

In 2014 the following vaccines will be offered:

**Years 7 – all students**
- HPV(human papillomavirus) vaccine – 3 dose schedule at 0,2 and 6 months (students who commence HPV vaccination in Year 7 but do not complete the course may be offered catch-up doses at school into Year 8)
- Chickenpox (varicella) vaccine – 1 dose
- Boostrix – (Diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough) – 1 dose

**Year 9 – boys only**
- HPV vaccine – 3 dose schedule at 0,2 and 6 months

These vaccines are only free for the year. Parents who want to vaccinate their child after they have finished their school year (ie Year 7 and Year 9 boys) can do so at their GPS but it will not be free.

*Parent Information Kits* will be sent home to parents/guardians. To consent to the vaccination of their child, they are advised to:
- read all the information provided
- complete the consent form by ticking (✓) the vaccines they would like their child to receive
- return to their child’s school
- ensure that their child eats breakfast on the day of the school vaccination clinic.

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the school principal or phoning the school. The procedure for withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at [www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation).

A record of vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at the clinic. Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference and should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this Record of Vaccination.

**Vaccines missed at one school visit will be offered at the next visit. Parents will receive a letter at the end of the year only if their child’s vaccinations are not complete.**

Parents with any questions or concerns can ring Bernadette at the Public Health Unit on 66 207503.