Vision Statement
Mater Dei College believes in the dignity and the nurturing of the individual and seeks to follow, with courage, Mary’s example of faith.

From the Principal

BLAZER FOR YEAR 10 STUDENTS

In an amendment to our Uniform Policy from the beginning of next year, students in Year 10 will be required to wear the College Blazer in Terms 2 and 3.

Year 10 is the start of senior secondary education and the additional responsibilities of being a senior student need to be acknowledged. The wearing of a blazer in Year 10 has always been optional but not often taken up. Recognizing the rite of passage into the senior secondary years is an important first step and the wearing of a Blazer in winter recognises this transition.

In the near future, parents of current Year 9 students will receive notification of Blazer sizing days and times so that we can place our orders with the uniform suppliers.

P&F QUIZ NIGHT

A very successful P&F Quiz Night was held last Saturday night at the College. As always, it was a very fun-filled, social evening.

The success of the evening is due in large part to the generosity of our P&F parents who give their time to organise and run the event. The donations of prizes ensures that every table goes home having won something and, for this, we thank parents and firms for their willingness to support the Quiz Night.

TROPHIES FOR OUR DANCERS

Congratulations to our Dancers for attaining two First Places and one Third Place in the interschool competitions last week. This has been our most successful year of competition and the teams and staff coaches are to be loudly applauded for their achievements in bringing home the silverware!

Well done, girls!

PARENTING IDEAS

In these challenging times, parents are often asking for assistance in their role of being parent. The changing nature of teenage relationships is difficult to manage. If you are looking for some useful advice, the website www.parentingideas.com.au is worth a look. This website emphasises the importance of developing healthy relationships with your children and in partnering with the school to achieve a successful outcome.

CO-CURRICULAR PHOTOGRAPHS

On Friday 4 September the College Photographers will be present to photograph the various co-curricular groups and sporting teams for this year’s Yearbook. Students will need to bring their appropriate clothing or sport uniform to school on the day in order to change when required. The teachers and managers in charge of the various groups and teams will have organised with the students the appropriate clothing to bring.

ACC ATHLETICS TEAM

Training for the ACC Athletics Carnival is well under way. We look forward to successes in the Track and Field events as we compete against other Colleges in our Division on Friday 18 September at Challenge Stadium.

UPDATING PARENT EMAIL ADDRESSES and TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Email communication to parents is a very effective manner of communication between the College and parents. However, it only remains effective if parent email addresses are kept up-to-date. If your primary email address has changed recently, please contact the College and provide an accurate email address that can be used in our communication with home.

In the same way, it is important that parent telephone numbers are kept accurate and current. If your fixed or mobile numbers have changed recently, please contact Student Services to update your details.

Barry Alfirevich
Tournament of Minds (TOM) is a creative and dramatic problem solving challenge. It is a six week challenge leading up to performances on Saturday August 29 at ECU Joondalup.

Mater Dei competed against 19 other teams in the Language Literature challenge. We had two teams, with one team placing in the top three to qualify for state finals.

**State finals team - 13 September – ECU Joondalupz**
Chantelle Firth
Zara Johnson
Denita Raju
Catherine Acres
Skyla Wolken
Caitlin Easton

**Team Two**
Blake Torrens
Chloe Edwards
Erin Robinson
Joshua Li
Euan McLaughlin
Ashley Imrie
Briana Clarke

Miss Vanessa Hollis
Head of English Department
During National Science Week, Mrs Quelch and a group of girls from the Year 10 Excellence in Science Program were able to take part in the annual ‘Science Café’ at University of Western Australia, where 300 students from schools around WA participate in a morning tea alongside renowned Australian Scientists. During the main sessions of the Science Café we were able to talk to some Scientists and Researchers who specialised in many different aspects of Science from Engineering to Astronomy to Biology. We also listened to guest speakers Derek Muller, a Physicist, Science Communicator and creator of YouTube Channel Veritasium (his name for the made up element of truth) and Louise Blackmore, a PhD student from UWA. At the end of the day, all of us agreed that going to Science Café was a great experience and that we would gladly do it again next year.

Catherine Acres
Year 10 Student

RSVP: To book your place at the Grandparents Morning Tea please follow the link:
http://www.trybooking.com/IWPK
THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING ORGANISATIONS FOR DONATING PRIZES TOWARDS TONIGHT’S EVENT

Jan Norberge MLA

Proud's the Jewellers

Kathy's Bag Boutique
Congratulations

Congratulations to Lochlan Woods (McCormack F) who competed in the WA Japanese Language Speech Contest on Saturday, 22 August, with his speech ‘Connecting the World Through Language’. Lochlan performed brilliantly and, although he didn’t get a placing, he was competing against students who have had many more years of learning Japanese! Lochlan did particularly well in his Question and Answer section and was credit to the College.

Well done, Lochlan!

Mrs Rosanne Jacobs
Head of Languages

Showcase 2015

Mater Dei College
Conductively invite you to the official Opening of Showcase 2015.
Wednesday 16 September, 6:00-9:00pm
Bennie Beau Hall, 107 Petrie Street, Edgewater

The students and staff from the creative core of the College, welcome your presence to this exciting event.

Our Music ensembles will begin the evening. In addition enjoy listening to the refined “Wonderful with Wine” ensemble as you sample the Hospitality students delicious cocktail food.

Special Guest Artists from CASM (Contemporary Australian Surrealists Movement).
Enquiries: pr@mdc.wa.edu.au
*Cover Artwork by Nils Hana McGuire

Mater Dei College News
Give
A can
Give
A damn

Next week the Year 7’s will start donating and collecting cans for Shop-Front. The appeal is only for Weeks 8 & 9. We would like to see everyone donating a minimum of 2 cans and our goal is to reach over 1000 cans! The person who collects the most cans will receive a prize.
Thank you, Year 7s 😊
Year 9 and 10 Boys

What a mixed couple of weeks it has been. First we played Quinns Baptist College in atrocious conditions. Sadly, the boys got off to a terrible start going 15 points down in the first ten minutes. However, their skill and resilience kicked in and they clawed their way back into the game. Being 28-22 up with seconds on the clock, the boys felt sure of a victory, however, Quinns put everything into the last play of the game to score a try - 28–27. Fortunately they failed to convert and MDC took a hard earned 4 points.

This week we played Irene McCormack Catholic College. This was by far our toughest game of the season as we faced a team littered with representative players. The boys put up a strong fight but, alas, were out-gunned and lost 29 – 12.

Year 7/8 Boys

Phenominal! I think this sums up their performances. Firstly Quinns Baptist College, again with some David versus Goliath tackling lead by Jayden Soares who repeatedly stopped the opposition dead in their tracks. Quinns threw all that it could throw at us and set the platform up for a momentous 50 –5 win. This was then followed up by another unbelievable 45 – 0 victory against Irene McCormack Catholic College. This has left the team with a season record of 5 games, 5 wins, 5 bonus points wins, 192 points scored and only 32 point conceded.

Both teams have now made the finals which start on 3 September.

An awesome season. Well done boys

Mr Dave Green

Year 9 PE Classes

The Year 9 Boys PE Classes have been practicing their Soccer skills.
## Term 3: Mater Dei College Sports

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Mr T Wynne - SPORT COORDINATOR: email - troy.wynne@mdc.wa.edu.au

### Mater Dei College Athletics Training Program

## MATER DEI COLLEGE ACC ATHLETICS TRAINING PROGRAM 2015

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* Light Breakfast provided after morning training*

* Students will be advised no later than 1.00pm if afternoon training is cancelled due to inclement weather.
Mater Dei College Cafeteria

**Breakfast**
The Canteen is open at **7am** and offers 2 slices of buttered toast for $1.00 along with a special if they buy toast and hot milo for $2.50.

**Please Help!!!** The canteen needs some helpers, if you can spare a little of your time we would really appreciate it.

To put your name down on the cafeteria roster, please contact:

**Beryl Lythgoe**, Cafeteria Manager, on **9405 0528**.

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Mater Dei College Uniform Shop

**Term 3: Trading Hours**

| Week 5 - 10 | Monday: 8.00am-12.00pm | Wednesday: 8.00am-9.30am | Thursday: 8.00am-12.00pm/12.30pm-4.30pm |

**Payment options**

Student Smartrider Card, EFTPOS and Credit Card facilities available

**Please note:** Uniform shop does not accept cash.

Telephone: Mrs Linda Caporn on 9405 0539
Email - linda.caporn@mdc.wa.edu.au

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Latest Recipients of Merit Certificates

**McCormack**
Geofferey Jones (Year 7), 2 merit certificates

**Mercy House**
Jayden Bickford (Year 8), 2 merit certificates

**Salvado House**
Georgia Kelly (Year 7), 3 merit certificates
Jiakun Huang (Year 7), 3 merit certificates

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Extra Curricular Clubs & Activities 2015

A list of extra-curricular activities is on our website. Please click on the link below for details about the extra-curricular clubs and activities that are happening around the College in 2015.

Careers Information

A Practical Guide to University Preferences
If you’re preparing to submit your uni preferences, it’s likely you’ll have a few questions about choosing a course and institution. This article explores some of the questions that are probably on your mind. http://www.hobsonscoursefinder.com.au/Latest-news/Getting-into-university/A-practical-guide-to-university-preferences

The Indigenous Australian Engineering Summer School (IAESS)
10 – 16 January 2016 @ Curtin University
The Indigenous Australian Engineering Summer School (IAESS) provides Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students from around Australia with the opportunity to experience engineering studies and careers. Open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students entering Years 10, 11 and 12, the six-day live-in summer school gives these students a taste of engineering as a university course and career. It involves hands-on and challenging activities within the Faculty of Science and Engineering as well as site visits to engineering companies.
Applications close Fri 13 November.
For more information, contact Tim Keely: 08 9266 7884 or engineeringoutreach@curtin.edu.au

City of Joondalup Asia Experience Scholarship
In partnership with the Foundation for Young Australians, the City of Joondalup is offering community funded partial scholarships, to local residents age 18-20, to Experience Asia through three to six month volunteer placements in Asia.

Challenger Institute of Technology: 2016 Course Guide
Challenger have recently released their 2016 Course Guide. It contains new information about the courses and career pathways available through Challenger. Access it online: http://www.challenger.wa.edu.au/courses-tafe/Pages/default.aspx

The University of Notre Dame: Admissions Information & Expo Evening
Tuesday 15 September @ 5:30pm @ The University of Notre Dame, ND1, 19 Mouat Street, Freemantle
Find out everything you need to know about applying to Notre Dame. There will be staff and current students on hand to answer any questions and help guide you through the application process.

Murdoch University: Portfolio Entry
There are some Murdoch courses that accept applications via a creative portfolio of your work, as an alternative to ATAR. In addition to applying through TISC, students submit a portfolio of their work directly to Murdoch.
Visit the website for more information: http://portfolio.murdoch.edu.au/

Fair Work Ombudsman: Young Workers & Students
This webpage outlines the responsibilities and rights of young people and students in the workplace. Information can also be found on starting a job, beginning an apprenticeship or traineeship, and ending employment.
Community Events

Parents & Friends Golf Day

Prizes required!!

The Golf Day is due to take place on Sunday 29 November, but we need sponsors and/or prizes for on the day. If you are able to donate a prize then please drop it into the Administration office or if you have any queries please phone our Public Relations Officer, Mrs Paula Trevor 9405 0514 or email: pr@mdc.wa.edu.au

Social Justice Statement

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on 27 September. This year’s Social Justice Statement is titled: ‘For Those Who’ve Come Across the Seas: Justice for refugees and asylum seekers’.

The Statement addresses the divisive national debate over asylum seekers, especially those who arrive by boat. It reminds all Australians of the need to welcome and comfort those who have fled here from terror and danger, and to live out the example of Jesus, who never turned his back on those who were lost or suffering.

For further details about the Social Justice Statement, visit the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council website (www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) or call (02) 8306 3499
Stronger Teens Camp 2 - 4 October 2015

Stronger Teens Camp is a three day adventure with friends, fun and faith! This year we’re heading down to Fairbridge Village in Pinjarra, for an amazing weekend where we’ll enjoy huge games and adventure activities; be inspired by talks from youth leaders about faith and life; take some time out for prayer and reflection; and build strong friendships.

Who – All high school aged teens are invited to attend.

When – Friday 2 October to Sunday 4 October 2015

Where – Fairbridge Village, South West Highway, Pinjarra WA

Cost – $150 – includes all accommodation, food, bus transport, and adventure activities.

How to Register – Complete the registration form and return it to CYM complete with parent/guardian signature and payment. To download a registration form, please follow the link to the CYM website