Dear Parents, Students, Staff and Friends of the Magdalene Community,

Last Tuesday the first meetings of the Parents and Friends Association and The Parent Consultation Committee were conducted. After the Parents and Friends business was completed the meeting had two areas of school life as its focus the Strategic Management Plan and the Annual Development Plan 2013. These two plans outline priorities for the school over coming years. The plans were explained and parents were consulted about these directions. A copy of the priorities for 2013 is included in this newsletter. The second area covered was that of the development of Professional Learning Communities at Magdalene. This also proved to be a very informative and fruitful discussion. I thank all parents who were involved and continue to encourage all parents to become involved in this very important group in the school.

This week Year 7 students have been involved in the Year 7 Camp. This has been an opportunity for students to develop individual confidence and build a sense of community. These experiences prove to be valuable for students and as a result the school has increased its commitment to both camps and retreats. I thank the teachers Mrs Hulme, Mr Hewitt, Mr San Pedro Loyola, Mrs Russo, Mrs Brislane, Mrs O’Flynn, Miss Partridge, Mr Pannell, Mrs Tree and Mrs Borg for giving up time with their families to ensure this was a worthwhile experience for the students beginning their lives at Magdalene.

This year the Magdalene Open Afternoon for prospective 2014 students will be conducted on 11 March. This is an opportunity for new parents and students to view the school and obtain enrolment packages. It is also an opportunity for current parents to come to the school and view their children’s learning environment. The Open Afternoon has been timed to coincide with Catholic Schools Week so that there will be opportunities to view student’s work and talents. All are invited.

Next Sunday 24 February a team of students along with Mr Gorrie will travel to Victoria to compete in the national finals of the F1 championships. This is an amazing achievement and certainly worthy of praise. An outline of the students’ journey is included in this newsletter. I wish the team well on behalf of the Magdalene community and look forward to hearing about how they perform.

I once again remind parents that the newsletter is emailed to all students and parents who have submitted email addresses. Any parents who have not submitted email addresses are requested to do so. This will allow easy access to newsletters.

This week the world received the news that Pope Benedict would resign from the Papacy at the end of February. This is a surprising decision and has massive implications for our church. A response from Bishop Ingham is included with this newsletter. I ask everyone to keep the Cardinals of the world in their prayers as they come together to elect our new leader.

This week we began the season of Lent with Ash Wednesday. The Ashes were distributed to all students on Wednesday, and I had the pleasure of helping to distribute ashes to Year 7 while on Camp, which was a very worthwhile experience and a reminder to all students of the journey ahead. Lent is a very important time in our lives as it provides us with an opportunity to focus on our human frailties but more importantly to make a commitment to improve our lives by living the way our God would want us to. Lent is not about deprivation it is a time of personal spiritual growth where prayer, alms giving and self denial help us to be reflective of our relationship with our God, our human frailties and our need to look after others. I ask that everyone take the opportunity to make this lent a meaningful and life giving experience. One way to take advantage of what is on offer is to use the booklets provided by the diocese to each family and to be involved in the local parish focus groups during Lent.

Strong minds, gentle hearts
During Lent people often ask what to “give up”. The following may offer some alternatives

**PRAYER**

- Fast from anger and hatred - Be more patient and understanding
- Fast from judging others - Think kindly thoughts
- Fast from discouragement - Be full of hope
- Fast from complaining - Focus on gratitude
- Fast from resentment or bitterness - Turn to forgiveness.

Finally, yesterday the school received the devastating news that Daniel Trench (who was a member of our Year 7 2012 cohort) died. This is a tragic situation for Danny’s family and tragic news for our community. I ask everyone to keep Danny and his family in your prayers.

God Bless

Mr John Lo Cascio
Principal

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**Opening Mass**

On Friday, 8 February, Magdalene celebrated the new school year with Mass. During the Mass the Year 7’s had their candle blessed. It will remain with them until 2018 when they complete Year 12 and will be a reminder of their spiritual link to Christ. 6 students, Elisa Baric, Marcus Fitzpatrick, Emily McFarlane, Kate Moran, Sarah Prestwidge and Carly Reynolds who had trained as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion were commissioned. They join Louis Bendtsen (School Captain), Jessica Grech (School Vice-Captain), Taylah Comerford and Caroline O’Sullivan as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in our school.

A dedication of new staff also took place during Mass and all new staff received their Magdalene candles from Mr Lo Cascio.

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**High Achievers Ceremony**
Bishop Peter Ingham’s statement on the resignation of Pope Benedict XVI

I was shocked last night to hear of Pope Benedict XVI’s brave and determined decision to resign as Supreme Pontiff of our Church. His acknowledgement that he no longer has the strength of mind and body to lead today’s Church gives witness to this man of courage, integrity and unwavering dedication; a man who has discerned what is best for the Church’s mission of bringing Jesus Christ to the world. He is a humble and authentic servant leader who is more concerned for the good of the Church than his own power and position. What a sterling example for all in leadership in the Church.

How ironic that I learn via social media of the first resignation of a Pope in 600 years. Indeed, we live in a new world! However, it is a world that is richer because of the brilliant intellect, theological insight, holiness and loving service of Pope Benedict XVI. It is a world that Pope Benedict has consistently implored not to be deceived by relativism and to remember that we are governed by eternal truths. It is a world that is going to be further enriched by having a new Pope lead the Church as well as a former Pope living a life of prayer in and for the world. We are indeed blessed!

All Australians remember with great fondness Pope Benedict’s visit to Australia in 2008 for World Youth Day. For me personally, having met Pope Benedict several times, I was always struck by his human warmth and graciousness. He is always interested in who you are and where you are from. Whenever I said, “I’m from Wollongong, Australia,” he would immediately beam with a big smile saying, “Ah, Australia!” For a few seconds afterwards you could see his mind wander back to that special time when he visited our shores.

We thank and praise God for the gift of Pope Benedict XVI’s leadership in the Church and his continued prayers for the world during his retirement. We pray also that the Church, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, will choose a worthy successor of Saint Peter to encourage each one of us to take up our Baptismal call to be bearers of Christ’s love in the world.

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Liturgy Committee Magdalene 2013

This year Magdalene has created a Liturgy Committee to plan for all the liturgical celebrations at school. The committee is a combination of teachers and students. Teachers involved are Mrs Carolyn Said, Mr Ralph Loyola, Mr Paul Waddell and Mr Kevin Wright. Student participants are Caroline O'Sullivan (Yr12), Carly Reynolds (Yr11) and Sophie Cornett (Yr 9). The committee meets once a fortnight or as is required and were active in putting together the Opening School Mass. This week we focus on Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent. The committee is a further opportunity for students to show their leadership skills as well as broaden their spiritual experience.

Parishes Planning for the future by working together

Commencing in February 2013, all Catholic parishes in the Diocese of Wollongong will be taking part in a process to plan for the future Church in the Diocese. We are one of the fastest growing Dioceses in NSW! This growth in the next 20 years provides us with the opportunity to build new parish communities while at the same time there is a need to re-configure some of our present parishes. School communities will be working closely with parishes to work for successful outcomes in this planning process for growth and renewal.

The process for planning for the future will be launched by Bishop Peter Ingham on Sunday 3 February. Every family in the Diocese will receive a Workbook which gives information about our role as baptised people in the Church as well as particular information about our Diocese. Parishes will have information sessions for all interested people to discuss the Workbook content and give parishioners a chance for feedback at various dates and times.

Please check the diocesan website www.pastoralplanning.dow.org.au for dates and times for your parish. We want all families to be involved in this important process of planning for our future. We need your wisdom to guide our planning!

Responses to questions and comments can also be sent to netty.broekman@dow.org.au

Parish Education Process 2013

CAMDEN
St Paul’s Parish
Part 1 Wednesday 6 March 7.00pm - 9.00pm Anne Simington
Part 2 Wednesday 20 March 7.00pm - 9.00pm Netty Broekman

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Cooking

Year 7 Cancer Awareness Presentation

Each year, approximately 700 children in Australia are diagnosed with cancer. On Wednesday 6 February 2013, Year 7 students attended a Cancer Awareness Presentation by Paula Farrell, from the Back on Track Team at the Children’s Hospital at Westmead. This presentation was very informative and gave Year 7 students a better understanding of what cancer is, the different types, causes, treatment of cancer and also ways to support people with cancer. We also held a Q & A session, which Corey Lake, from Year 7, bravely led.
# 2013 SCHOOL FEE INFORMATION

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### 2. Additional Fees

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3. Year 8 Notebook Levy .......................................... $450  
4. Year 9 Notebook Levy .......................................... $415  
5. Year 10 Notebook Levy .......................................... $200/$500  
6. Year 11 Notebook Levy .......................................... $200/$500  
7. Year 12 Notebook Levy .......................................... $172  
8. Technology Levy .................................................. $90  
9. Tuesday Sport/TAFE Transport Levy (7 to 11) ........... $240  
10. Carnivals (Year 12 only) .................................. $25  
11. Year Book ......................................................... $15  
12. Parents and Friends levy (per family) .................. $100  

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Dear Parents,

This is an outline of the level and purpose of fees for students attending Magdalen Catholic High School in 2013.

Government funding covers approximately 80% of the recurrent costs associated with running a Catholic High School. The 20% "gap", plus loan commitments associated with building, need to be met by parent contributions. A breakdown of the 2013 school fees is:

**Tuition Fee**
Teachers salaries and the day to day running costs of the school (water, electricity, paper etc)

**Building Fund**
This levy is used solely for the repayment of loans on the school buildings (equivalent to a mortgage payment).

**Student Administration Fee**
Covers the cost of printing, postage and communication expenses.

**Notebook Levy**
The notebook levy is a charge for the notebook computers provided to students. The levy covers the cost of the notebook, insurance, a bag, the associated set up, an external hard drive and "Office". The cost is divided over three years with one third of the total cost being paid each year.

**Technology Levy**
This contributes towards the costs of maintaining technology hardware, software and access to the internet.

**Core Subject Course Fee**
This covers the cost of all other books and equipment which are purchased in bulk and issued to your child for their personal use. The alternative would be for you to purchase these items which would be at a great cost. This also assists in covering the cost of textbooks issued to your child, both in hardcopy and electronically.

**Elective Course Fees**
This goes towards offsetting the cost of consumables used by your child in practical courses e.g. foodstuffs used in Food Technology.

**Tuesday Sport/TAFE Levy**
All students rotate through four sports blocks over the year which includes swimming, indoor recreational sports, elective choices (e.g. martial arts, aerobics, dance etc) and school based sport. In addition students may trial for inter-school competitive sport. The sports levy covers all costs associated with Tuesday sport including bus travel. The levy also covers all costs associated with whole school carnivals. This levy also covers the transportation of students who attend TAFE on Tuesday afternoon.

**Parents & Friends Levy**
The P&F levy of $100 per family, per year replaces major fundraising activities for parents. This then allows the P&F to concentrate on special gatherings with an emphasis on community building, rather than fund raising.

**PAYMENT OF SCHOOL FEES**
The tuition fee, building fund, sport levy, P&F levy and notebook levy are billed in three instalments over the first three terms of the school year.

The student administration fee, core subject course fee and elective course fees, year book fee and technology levy are included in the Term 1 fee account.

Fees accounts are posted early in Term 1, 2 and 3. Payments may be made in a lump sum, or in instalments. Accounts may be paid by BPAY, EFTPOS, cash, cheque, money order or credit card. Direct debit facilities are also available, simply contact the school finance office.

A deduction on the tuition fee only, for the second and subsequent child of a family attending the school applies. Deductions are as follows:

- 25% for the second child attending the school.
- 50% for the third child attending the school.
- 100% for the fourth and subsequent children attending the school.

All families however are required to pay all other fees and levies. Retreats, camps and excursion costs are required to be paid, these costs will be included on individual family school fee account. Excursions held in Term 1 will appear on 1st Instalment, excursions held in Term 2 will appear on 2nd Instalment and excursions held in Terms 3 and 4 will appear on 3rd Instalment of school fees. Any family experiencing difficulties regarding the payment of fees must contact the Principal. Such matters are always treated in the strictest confidence.

Mr John Lo Cascio            29 January 2013
Falcon Racing Trip to Melbourne

We are delighted to share with the Magdalene Community news of our success in learning. Between February 24 to March 2, five Year 9 students (Luisa Barillaro, Damon Koulouris, Nicholas Koteviski, Brayden McMonigal and Elyse Beauchamp), who make up our Falcon Racing team, will competing in the 2012-13 National F1 in Schools Competition Finals to be held at the Avalon Air Show, Geelong. This is one of the world’s largest STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) competitions; involving over nine million students from 17,000 schools in 31 nations and it is without doubt a fantastic opportunity for Magdalene to experience learning at a National level. Falcon Racing is very grateful that they have been given the opportunity to represent our school, at a State level, in this Engineering Challenge.

Our students have definitely been displaying persistence and a drive for success, in their design and manufacture of a 20cm balsa wood car using CAD/CAM software as well as a 12 page portfolio about their team’s work, including a pit stand and merchandise set up.

Our ‘wild card’ entry to the National Finals is a wonderful opportunity for our students, and they are certainly excited about the wonderful learning experiences Melbourne holds for them. With target costs required to cover the team’s travel, accommodation and competition requirements we would ask for your support in reaching our set goal.

Our appreciation and thanks are extended to our current sponsors; their time, product and financial support thus far spurs our team to reach for their best:

Auto Auctions, LBF Concrete Pty Ltd, Beauchamp Plumbing, Grange Graphics, JD Concrete Pty Ltd, Casaview Constructions, Lenovo, Mac 1, Colour FX Smash Repairers, Domenics Mobile Mechanic, Sabagraphics Pty Ltd, Lily Homes, Novella Events Centre, Central Safety Workwear, Ubiglow, Palitha S Wijesena & Associates, Guana Graphics, Hillbrick Bicycles, Vc pro (VMware) and Universal Granite.

For any further information or to show your support please contact Mr Ian Gorrie (TAS Coordinator).
ian.gorrie@dow.catholic.edu.au Ph 46477055

Literacy Learning Spotlight

“Engaged readers seek to understand; they enjoy learning and they believe in their reading abilities (Guthrie, -2001).”

Reading for children at Years 6-8 level is focused on reading for multiple viewpoints. This stage of growth is often also a time where we see reading being replaced by alternate activities and interests. Motivation and engagement are key factors for our children becoming and remaining capable, confident readers. With continued support our learners development of reading habits will be positive; particularly in the areas of Vocabulary, Comprehension and Reading Processes.

Tips for parents
1. Prioritise reading in your house and encourage your children to continue reading and choosing texts that interest them.
2. Link their interest in technology and multi-modal texts to written texts by checking out online book reviews, author’s websites or reading forums.
3. Help your child choose the correct text for them. Continue to expose them to a wide range of genres aimed at the appropriate level of difficulty.
4. Focus on engagement. Use humour when dealing with a reluctant reader. Continue to read aloud to your children and have them read aloud to you – they are never too old to share a book with you.

MISA SPORT
This week Magdalene students played Round 1 of the Term 1 MISA season against Broughton Anglican College with some good results.
Next week our teams play Mount Carmel.
This weeks results:

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<td>Cricket – Girls Open</td>
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<td>Win Great win in a game played in good spirit. Our bowling made this an easy victory: Olivia 2/0, Emily 2/0 and Jessica 3/5. Jessica (Player of the Day) and Taylor set up the batting to win. Mr Wright</td>
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<td>Win A brilliant start to the season. The girls showed great class and composure throughout. A fantastic result. Mr Dowdell</td>
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<td>Win Good first game girls. At times we played very well as a team, although a lot of silly mistakes hurt us. Mrs McAlister</td>
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<td>Volleyball – Boys 7-9</td>
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<td>A great start to the new year with a win against Broughton and an excellent effort from our girls. MVP: Vanessa Graham (17 consecutive hits). Miss J Miller</td>
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YEAR 9 SCHOOL SPORT
This week Year 9 School Sport continued with students playing opposing Homerooms in Soccer, Touch Football, Netball, Volleyball and Basketball. Homeroom teams score 3 points for a win, 2 points for a draw and 1 point for a loss.


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Diocesan team sports opportunities – Term 1

Students need to pay attention to emails, announcements and the Sports Notice Board to ensure they are aware of trial dates which will be advertised for the following Diocesan sports for term 1 representation:
- Girls Soccer (U/13, U/15, Opens)
- Boys Touch (U/13, U/15, Opens)
- Rugby League (U/15s and Opens)
- Tennis (Opens Boys and Girls Tennis)

How do parents register elite competitors for NSWCCC trials?

PARENT ACCESS - NEW IN 2013
Please go to the website www.csss.nsw.edu.au

GO TO THE HELP BUTTON
Select I AM A PARENT / GUARDIAN. You can either retrieve your password or get a password
Set up a PARENT ACCOUNT
Now you can log in
Select the sport you are interested in
Select REGISTER. Here you will either be asked to make an EXPRESSION OF INTEREST or to REGISTER. This is different for each.
Once you have completed all the information an email will be sent immediately to the diocesan/association rep, principal and sports coordinator for approval (Consent)
Select your payment option – direct deposit or credit card. You will not be marked as paid immediately as accounts need to be manually reconciled. This usually takes 7 working days.
You can log in at any time to see the status of your registration.
Please make sure your details (email address and mobile) remain up to date so that you can be emailed or sent a text message.

Congratulations – Sheree Farrell (Open Water Swimming)

Sheree competed in the 2013 Australian Open Water Championships, held at Lake Macquarie on Saturday 9th February.

She was placed 5th in Australia for the 13yr Girl’s 5km Open Water Swim. (She was the second NSW competitor to finish). The event was held under a difficult swell and this a result that we at Magdalene can all celebrate!

Friday Mass - Year 8 Roster

Family members are always welcome to attend Friday lunchtime Mass in our Chapel at 12.15pm. It would be particularly good if mums, dads or grandparents attended on the day of their child's or grandchild's Pastoral Class Mass.

Mr Kevin Wright

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2 sessions, 2 ½ hours each session

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Magdalene Catholic High School
Annual Improvement Plan
2013


**Key Area 1: Catholic Life and Religious Education.**

By the end of 2017, Magdalene Catholic High School will be a school where all members of the school community will understand, appreciate and celebrate the school’s Catholic identity.

To achieve the above the school will focus on the following Strategic Management Plan goals during 2013:

1.1. The school will have a strong commitment to and understanding of the vision and mission of Magdalene Catholic High School.

1.2. Creative and innovative programs, policies and guidelines will articulate the shared vision and mission and be related to the example of St Mary Magdalene.

1.4. The teaching and learning of Religious Education will be supported by a depth of highly relevant and stimulating programs and resources, which are effectively utilised, by students and teachers.
Key Area 2: Students and Their Learning

By the end of 2017, Magdalene Catholic High School will be a school where individuals value and accept responsibility for themselves and others as learners and strive for personal excellence.

To achieve the above the school will focus on the following Strategic Management Plan goals during 2013:

2.1. Relevant criteria and assessment and evaluation data will be used consistently to track, monitor and review student progress and to inform the teaching and learning cycle.

2.2. A whole school approach to literacy and numeracy will be in place to ensure that all students can access the curriculum at an appropriate level.

2.6. Structures programs and practices will encourage student enjoyment of learning and skill them to be successful learners.

Key Area 3: Pedagogy

By the end of 2017, Magdalene Catholic High School will be a school where student learning is a collective responsibility, enriched by a dynamic curriculum enhanced by effective pedagogical practice.

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3.1. Students will be provided with a range of differentiated assessment opportunities that assess their learning in authentic ways and allow them to demonstrate their knowledge, understanding and potential as learners.

3.5. The school will function as a learning community and will adopt a collaborative and reflective approach to teaching and learning that is enhanced by ongoing, well-targeted professional development.