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

Last Monday the school conducted Year 7 2016 open afternoon and information evening. This event was a celebration of the Magdalene community. It was gratifying to witness the pride that students, who offered their services as guides, displayed whilst leading the tours, these young people are wonderful ambassadors for the school. The evening also highlighted all of the opportunities that Magdalene has to offer which we sometimes take for granted. As I reflect on the evening I am very grateful for all of the positive aspects of this delightful school. I also reflect on the fact that it is the community who contribute so much to the success of Magdalene for which I am very appreciative.

I thank and acknowledge the Parents and Friend’s Association for cooking the barbecue and offering wonderful hospitality to our visitors. I also thank all the teachers and students involved in this delightful event in which we are able to showcase our outstanding school.

Last week was Catholic Schools Week across the state. The theme of Catholic Schools Week 2015 is “Educating for Today and Tomorrow” The theme ties in with the 50th anniversary of “The Declaration on Christian Education – Gravissimum Educationis”. Catholic Schools Week provides an opportunity to reflect on the effectiveness of Catholic Education in our nation. That effectiveness begins in our schools. The open night and activities at Magdalene throughout this week highlighted much of what is positive about Catholic Education at Magdalene.

Last week Mr Mäe, Mr O’Donnell and a number of students recorded the school song at a local recording studio. This recording will ensure that the school song is preserved well into the future and it is kept in its original state. It is important to note that the school song was written by Mr Mäe and former staff member Mr Coppola and as such is truly representative of the Magdalene community.

Last Friday night and the previous Friday night I had the pleasure of attending the public speaking competition conducted by the Catholic Schools Debating Association. Magdalene had three representatives entered in the competition: Siobhan Suters, Maddison Saysanavongpeth and Emily Saysanavongpeth. These three young ladies performed extremely well and with Madison and Siobhan moving through to the zone finals and Siobhan progressing to the finals this Friday. I congratulate the students on their outstanding performance and the fact that they were wonderful ambassadors for the school. I thank Mrs Antal for organising and preparing the students for such a wonderful performance.

At the end of this semester there will be a change in the reporting system for students in Year 7 to 10 at Magdalene. Students in Year 7 8 and 9 will receive reports displaying grades only. These reports will not have any accompanying marks. Year 10 reports will contain grades and an examination mark only. This change has come about as a result of discussions among staff and the Parent Consultation Committee and the Catholic Education Office.

The reason for the change is that at present marks were not reflective of a standard reached and are often misinterpreted or not able to be compared to a standard. The use of grades will be more reflective of a consistent standard as well as provide direction for improvement. Obviously for many parents this will be a change from previous reporting, however this will also provide greater clarity. Each students’ results will be explained in greater detail at the parent teacher student interviews at the end of the semester.

More information is included later in this newsletter. Parents will also be given further information with reports.

Strong minds, gentle hearts
Catholic Schools Week Prayer

Almighty God
You sent the Holy Spirit
So that we might know and love You Jesus,
The word made flesh;
To know and love Jesus
The Way
The Truth and
The Life
Renew the passion of all in Catholic Schools
To nurture the seeds of Your love,
Planted in our hearts
And bear fruit that will nourish a world hungry for your love
We ask this through
Christ our Lord
Amen.

God Bless

Mr John Lo Cascio
Principal

Safety in car parks and driveways at Magdalene

I remind all parents that it is essential that caution is taken when driving in and around the school.

A number of parents are using the car park as a drop off zone and there have been instances of drivers driving quite quickly in the area. Generally, the car parking area is for parking only and should not be used as a drive through area.

It is also important for all drivers to be aware that there should be no parking or waiting in the school driveway or roundabout at the front of the administration area. These areas must be kept clear for emergency services and appointments.

Thank you for your cooperation in these matters.

GET REAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

As part of the Get Real Scholarship program run by Kenvale College, Alyshia Iorfino of Year 12 was selected into the top 15 to take part in a workplace experience during the Christmas holidays. From this group of year 12 students a panel of judges would select first place recipients, who would be accepted into Kenvale College for 2016, with $3,000 towards their fees, and sent to New Zealand at the end of their first year of College for a week of experience in the industry.

Alyshia completed her placement at Allianz Stadium where she experienced Event Management first hand and gained many new skills.

I was very proud to be present at the Real Winners event on 21 February to hear the announcement of the winners of the Get Real Scholarships. Whilst Alyshia didn't receive first place she was awarded a very impressive runner up. As a result she has been accepted into Kenvale College for 2016 with $1,000 towards her fees. Well Done Alyshia!

Mrs Brislane

Magdalene Facebook Page

Over the next two weeks the school will be looking at establishing a Facebook page to keep parents and interested parties aware of what is happening at Magdalene. It is hoped that by using this approach our community will be well informed of the different events.

To ensure the highest quality site any posts will be closely monitored. It is envisaged we will trial the page for Term 2 before making a decision in relation to its permanency.
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Vinny’s Kitchen

Vinny’s Kitchen - Outreach Kitchen on Show

Magdalene Staff and Students volunteer at Nagle House – run by Vinnies.

What is the Nagle Centre Family Care & Support service?
The Centre is a Crisis support Centre for people experiencing homelessness and disadvantaged people of the Macarthur region of NSW.

Who can access this service?
People who are experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless can access Nagle Centre Family Care & Support.

Where is the service located?
The Centre is located at 22 Iolanthe Street, Campbelltown NSW.

Who benefits from the service?
People who are experiencing disadvantage and homelessness in the Macarthur region can benefit from the crisis and emergency assistance we are able to provide. This assistance can take many forms and may include: help with electricity, telephone, advocacy and rental, referrals to our brokerage service, clothing vouchers, hot breakfasts and lunches five days a week, from Monday to Friday and an evening meal on Wednesdays.

Staff and students from Magdalene Catholic High School are regular volunteers on the Wednesday afternoon and evening rosters. Thanks to the staff and students who help at the Nagle Centre every Wednesday. Please make contact with either Mr Wright or myself if you’d like to be involved and help as a volunteer.

Mr Pannell
Mission Coordinator

Catholic Schools Week

Celebration - Mass

28 March 2015

500th Birthday of St Teresa of Jesus (Avila)

Bishop Peter Ingham will be celebrating Mass at 10.00am at OLMC Parish Varroville.

All WELCOME
YEAR 7 CARD SWAPPING
In week 5 the Year 11 cohort participated in the Elevate Program. Elevate is an educational workshop focused on developing crucial study skills. It aims to ensure that students are not only engaged in their education, but more importantly develop study techniques to make a tangible difference to their senior grades.

I encourage parents to have a conversation with your sons and daughters about the skills they have taken away from this informative session. In particular, our students are approaching a very busy time in their assessment schedule, with many subjects having assignments due in the next 3 weeks. It should be also noted that the Year 11 Preliminary Examinations are conducted early next term, with less than 7 weeks to go. By tapping into, replicating and using these study skills and techniques, your young adults with equip themselves the study habits necessary to see them effectively completing not only these upcoming examinations but more importantly the HSC.

As they embark on their final chapter of school life, we the teachers of Magdalene want to support the parents in any way possible. We see the importance of a productive and effective home study regime and understand that parents play a vital role. If anyone would like additional information, please don’t hesitate to contact the school. In addition to this, you can access the flowing link www.elevateeducation.com to find an abundance of resources offered by Elevate. Alternatively you can call 1300 667 946 to contact Elevate directly.

Ms Marie Partridge
Magdalene held our open day on the 9 March to showcase to the wider community the educational opportunities that our Catholic school provides. Catholic Schools Week this year focused on the theme ‘Educating for Today and Tomorrow’ allowing the school to focus on the broad range of technology that is actively used. The event was a huge success with over 150 Magdalene students volunteering to stay well after school hours to guide future students and community members around the school visiting each faculty along the way.

The focus on the night was on student engagement, including many practical activities for students in Years 5 to 6 to participate in, helping them gain a better understanding of life as a high school student. On the night there were displays of 3D printers, CNC milling, the recently introduced iPad engagement and HSC students working on their major works. Students performed drama and music all around the school while staff engaged with both students and parents to emphasise the value of education at Magdalene.

By Matthew Said 12 Sedgwick
FROM THE CURRICULUM COORDINATOR

Semester One Report

At the end of this semester, parents will receive the Half Yearly Report. The basic format of the report will be as it has been for the past few years. In each subject, students will be reported on their commitment to learning, which includes characteristics of application, classroom behaviour, organization and participation in class. There is also an opportunity for teachers to grade the students on each of the syllabus outcomes relevant to the teaching and learning for the semester.

From Years 7-11 teachers will report on each student's achievement through an overall grade of A, B, C, D and E. This Grade is determined by the classroom teacher who will gather evidence of the student’s achievement throughout the term. This evidence can be any classroom activity eg quizzes, bookwork, discussions and other assignments. The report will be accompanied by a table of Course Performance Descriptors for each subject. These descriptors explain what a student can do and what they cannot do yet in achieving the allocated Grade.

Reports for Years 7 8 and 9 will contain grades, no marks will be included on the report. Years 10 and 11 reports will include an examination mark and an examination average mark to indicate the students achievement in examination. This is considered especially important in these years as students aim to achieve the best possible RoSA grade. It is also important in preparation for external examinations in the senior years of school.

As a school we believe that this reporting format allows students and parents to engage in purposeful conversations about learning improvement and growth with teachers.

Should you have any queries about reporting please feel free to contact your child’s teachers for clarification.

Mrs Kaperonis
On Friday 6 March, the Year 8 Cohort and their teachers put on their Geographical Investigation glasses and completed a day’s fieldwork at Mount Annan Botanical Gardens, the largest Botanical Garden in the Southern Hemisphere.

We observed, measured, timed and sketched our way through the day, by looking at micro-climates and associated possible future picnic areas through to the ever-popular investigation of the water quality of Lake Sedgewick.

Such a beautiful botanical garden also faces threats of feral animals, weed infestations and over use by increasing numbers of visitors. Students looked at strategies that the garden’s managers are employing to address these threats.

We thank the staff who attended and the Year 11 Geography students for helping the Year 8 students at the investigation sites.

H.S.I.E. Dept.
YEAR 9 INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY TIMBER

Our two Year 9 Industrial Technology Timber Classes, lead by Mr Hogan and Mr Cornett, are nearing completion of our first practical project for the year. The BBQ drinks Tray is an important first project for Year 9, in that it introduces some important new skills in wood working techniques, while building on those skills already acquired in Stage 4 Technology Mandatory. For most students, it is also the first ever timber project that produces a practical and usable item for the home. While the basic plan for the tray is well established, this year’s classes applied their own modifications to the size and layout of the slatted bottom of the tray. Integrating Algebra skills learnt in Mathematics, they were able to accurately size and space the slats for a more aesthetically pleasing design than the original.

Mr Gorrie - TAS Coordinator

Natasha Preparing Slats for Install

Luke with his tray almost completed

Stephanie fitting slats to her tray

Bradley finishing off with the Orbital Sander

YEAR 12 HOSPITALITY EXCURSION

Last week Year 12 Hospitality class took part in a comprehensive excursion on the 2 and 3 March 2015, which included: visits to Campbelltown Catholic Club, Rydges, and Aquafit. This experience provided students with a diverse range of exposure to the vast areas involved in the Hospitality Industry. Students first hand experience has provided them with vital ‘Industry Knowledge’ as is required in the Core Unit ‘Source and use information on the Hospitality Industry’.

Both Mrs Abernethy and Mrs Brislane were impressed by student’s attentiveness and inquisitive questions. It was also great to finish off the excursion with a big lunch at one of the Catholic Club’s restaurants: the Samba Café and Grill. We are very grateful to Mrs Jill Teeling (Human Resource Manager at Campbelltown Catholic Club), for her continued support in liaising with us and coordinating a valuable experience for Magdalene students.

Mrs Brislane
YEAR 12 WORK PLACEMENT

It is always rewarding to visit our students whilst on work placement and to hear the praise from their supervisors. Our Year 12 Hospitality students displayed highly competent practical skills and conscientious work habits in their final work placement. Their initiative was noted as many went beyond the expected standards required by the establishment, for which they are commended. They have been a credit to the Magdalene community as they have approached their work placement experience in a professional manner.

Mrs Brislane
SCHOOL SAFETY ZONES

SCHOOL SAFETY NOTICE TO DRIVERS

In the interest of CHILD SAFETY there is NO EXCUSE for disobeying traffic control signs and Road Rules in the vicinity of a school. Please read and understand the following traffic controls around your school.

**NO STOPPING**

Under no circumstances are you permitted to stop on a length of road to which a NO STOPPING sign applies.

*(Penalty: $311 plus 2 demerit points each time you stop)*

**NO PARKING**

You are permitted to stop in a NO PARKING zone only while you are engaged in dropping off or picking up passengers. You must not for more than 2 minutes. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle. *(Penalty: $173 plus 2 demerit points)*

**BUS ZONE**

You are not permitted to stop in a BUS ZONE unless you are driving a bus.

*(Penalty: $311 plus 2 demerit points)*

**DOUBLE PARKING**

A driver must not stop on a road between the centre of the road and another vehicle that is parked at the side of the road.

*(Penalty: $311 plus 2 demerit points)*

**DISABLED PARKING**

A driver who stops in a parking area for disabled without current disability permit displayed with be fined. *(Penalty: $519 plus 1 demerit point)*

**MOBILE PHONES**

A driver who uses a mobile phone in a school zone whilst driving.

*(Penalty: $415 plus 4 demerit points)*

**THE COST OF TAKING YOUR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL DEPENDS ENTIRELY ON YOU**
Capital Funding – Frequently Asked Questions

1. **How many Catholic schools and students are there in NSW?**

   At the end of 2014, there were 584 Catholic schools in NSW, educating almost 254,000 students. Catholic schools educate one in every five NSW students (21%).

2. **How are NSW Catholic school buildings and facilities funded?**

   Capital funding - which is used to build, expand or upgrade NSW’s Catholic schools - comes from parents, governments (Federal and State) and the parish community.

   The majority of capital funding comes from parents repaying loans.

3. **How much capital funding does the NSW Government provide to all schools each year?**

   On a per student basis, the NSW Government allocates $524 per government school student in capital funding for new projects while Catholic schools are allocated $30 per student.

   In the 2014-15 Budget, the NSW Government provided:
   - $399.1 million for capital projects in the state’s 2,196 government schools, and
   - $54.6 million for the state’s 974 non-government schools.

   Of the $54.6 million allocated to non-government schools, $43 million is needed to subsidise interest payments on loans taken out for projects commenced before 2006-07 under the now-closed Interest Subsidy Scheme (ISS).

   This leaves just $11.6 million to fund new capital projects in Catholic ($7.6 million) and independent ($4 million) school sectors.

4. **What happened to the Interest Subsidy Scheme?**

   The ISS was introduced in 1968 to help non-government schools borrow to finance capital projects. By 2006/07, it was costing the NSW Government $67 million per annum.

   It was closed to new loans that year and a new program - the Building Grants Assistance Scheme (BGAS) - was introduced to provide cash grants to non-government schools.

5. **How is the BGAS funded?**

   As schools loans expire and interest subsidies are no longer required, the money that becomes available is redirected into the BGAS to ensure that $67 million continues to be available to non-government schools each year (either as interest subsidies or grants).

   However, since 2012, that is no longer the case and only $54.6 million is now available (2014-15).
6. **What happened to the BGAS in 2012?**
   
   In the 2012-13 Budget, the NSW Government capped capital funding to non-government schools by stopping any further money being redirected into the BGAS.
   
   This has meant that the amount available as grants to Catholic and independent schools each year remains at around $11 million, despite enrolments growing each year in both sectors.
   
   Catholic school enrolments have grown by 10,000 in that time – the equivalent of 12 new secondary schools or 400 classrooms.

7. **Where will the fastest growth in enrolments occur by 2031?**
   
   In terms of the number of students, the local government areas predicted to have the fastest enrolment growth are Blacktown, Liverpool and Camden. These are geographically large council areas with space to expand.
   
   The real pressure is in established areas such as Parramatta, the City of Sydney and Canada Bay where a boom in apartment living has increased the number of families living in areas where there are geographic limits to the number and size of schools.

8. **Why do NSW Catholic schools need capital funding support from the NSW Government?**
   
   By 2031, all NSW school sectors will need to accommodate an additional 267,000 students (according to the Government’s figures).
   
   NSW Catholic schools will need to create an additional 58,000 places to accommodate their share of this growth - the equivalent of more than 2300 new classrooms.
   
   Most of this expansion will be funded by Catholic school parents, as has been the case for decades.
   
   But the increasing cost of land, construction and education technology means parents will not be able to meet the costs of supporting enrolment growth to the same degree.
   
   The next NSW Government must lift its capital funding support to Catholic schools to help them accommodate this additional growth – otherwise, the Government will be forced to build and staff more new government schools than it has currently planned for.

9. **How does financial support to Catholic schools save NSW taxpayers money?**
   
   It is financially more sensible for the NSW Government to help Catholic schools accommodate their share of enrolment growth.
   
   This is because Catholic school parents meet most of the capital costs, thus easing the pressure on state taxpayers.
   
   If Catholic schools do not have enough places to accommodate their current proportion of this growth in students, the Government will be forced to spend *more* taxpayer funds to build and staff more new government schools than currently planned.
Capital Funding - Fact sheet

- In 2014, NSW’s 584 Catholic schools educated 21% of NSW students but received only 2% of NSW Government capital funding for schools.

- The NSW Government provides $7.6 million in capital grants to Catholic schools – or $30 per student.

- In 2012, the NSW Government capped its capital funding to non-government schools, but enrolments have continued to grow by 10,000 students – the equivalent of 12 new secondary schools or 400 new classrooms.

- The $7.6 million provided by the NSW Government in 2014 was only enough to part-fund seven of the 39 Catholic school building projects which sought funding that year.

- NSW Catholic schools educate almost 254,000 students and will need to accommodate a further 58,000 students by 2031 – the equivalent of more than 2300 additional classrooms.

- Catholic school parents fund the bulk of capital works projects in their children’s schools through school building levies and the repayment of loans. But the rising cost of land, construction and technology mean that parents cannot shoulder this burden to the same extent indefinitely.
MISA RESULTS: Magdalene v Wollondilly

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Outstanding Achievements

The following students were recognised at our school assembly for their outstanding achievements in sport:

Matthew Edwards: for representing NSW in AFL and gaining a ‘Blues Award’

Maddison Smith: for being selected into the CCC Softball Team

Taylah Parker: for being selected into the state Indoor Hockey Team.

Samantha Coupe: for being selected into the state Hockey Team

Sheree Farrell: for gaining second place at the National Open water Swimming Championships

Paige Pirotta: for selection into the state Netball team.

Magdalene also had two students selected to represent the diocese in Open Girls Touch Football: well done to Ruby Mosca and Jemma Crane.

Paige Pirotta: selected into the Netball NSW under-17’s development squad.

Paige has been selected in the Netball NSW under -17s development squad for 2015. Paige wasn’t selected for the state team that will contest the 2015 Under-17s National Netball Championships on April 14-19 at Netball Central, Sydney Olympic Park but will train alongside the team with the development squad.

Paige was named 2014 Defender of the Year in addition to her triumph in the 2014 Australian Junior Indoor Netball Championships in Perth where she helped the under -16s NSW Waratahs to the national championship.

Paige has set her goal on helping Australia win the 2015 Junior Indoor Netball World Series held in Perth this July as well as help her under-12 side reach the grand final.

Well Done

Maighan Duck: selected into the NSWCCC Girl’s Tennis Team

Congratulations to Maighan Duck who was selected into the NSWCCC team to play at the NSW All-Schools competition to be held at Bathurst on 30-31 March.

Maighan finished second overall and is currently ranked 543 in Australia.

Well Done
**SPORTS NEWS 3/3/2015**

**MISA RESULTS : Magdalene v Macarthur Anglican**

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**Diocesan Girls’ Soccer Tournament 23 February 2015**

Three teams travelled south for the day. The seniors played at Albion Park, while the U13s and U15s played in Nowra. Spirits were high throughout the day and, although no team progressed into the finals, all had an enjoyable time. This was characterised by the U15s who, after three loses, managed to score two great goals against Corpus Christi. You would think they had won the tournament! The U13s and Opens both achieved third in their pools and so missed out on progressing. Bianca Caruso showed her netball skills as the substitute goalkeeper. Two girls, Ruby Mosca and Jemma Crane were selected into the diocesan team. Congratulations to all teams for the wonderful spirit and excellent behaviour on and off the field.

Diocesan U15s Girls Soccer BRANCATO Stephanie, BRITT Abby, DOUGHTY Olivia, FENECH Emily, GEARY Amanda, JENKINS Bethany, LEONARD Kaitlin, MARKOVIC Kristina, PETERS Brooke, PORTEIRO Monica, READER Kayleigh, TEELING Natasha.

Diocesan U13s Girls Soccer Student BAGOT Rachel, FOLEY Kyla, HALEY Abby, HENDERSON Claudia, HONAN Alex, MANGIAPANE Monique, PETTIFORD Felicity, POTOCKI Natalie, AHERN Gabrielle, MADSEN Monique, NEWTON Monique, RIXON Monica.
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## SCHOOL FEES APOLOGY

We apologise to parents for the slight delay with sending out the school fees. School fees have been mailed out this week.

Please contact Mrs Spencer or Mrs Gibbons in the finance office via Email if there are any queries related to your account.

Email: finance@mchsdow.catholic.edu.au

## St Anthony’s Church - Tahmoor

**Youth Mass**

The next YOUTH MASS to be held at St. Anthony’s Church, Tahmoor is at 6.00pm on Saturday, 21 March. Come along and join in the celebration with all your fellow friends from your past years in Primary School. There will be GREAT singing, HUGE band and refreshments after Mass.

ALL WELCOME

## SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open by appointment only.

If you require second hand uniforms outside of these hours please call Kelly O’Keeffe on 0410 553812

## CANTEEN

### Term 1

**Week 8B**

- 16 Mar
  - Isabel Potts
  - Donna Duck
  - Kim Kumutat

- 17 Mar
  - Nicole Mortimer
  - Karen Ryan

- 18 Mar
  - Eve Farkas
  - Marites Vinoya
  - Julie Rice

- 19 Mar
  - Clare King
  - Georgina Gunner
  - Leisa Taylor

- 20 Mar
  - Christine Montafia-Brown
  - Karen Saul
  - Bernadette Staunton

**Week 9A**

- 23 Mar
  - Megan Tyler
  - Cathy Rixon

- 24 Mar
  - Bernadette Kiss
  - Fran Lapa

- 25 Mar
  - Bridget Fuller
  - Louise Fallshaw

- 26 Mar
  - Kelly Dawson-Maginn
  - Jutta Hamshere
  - Illiana Stillitano

- 27 Mar
  - Alison Miller
  - Linda McGuire
  - Veronique Smith

**Week 10B**

- 30 Mar
  - Cherie Bulgin
  - Tanya DeBono

- 31 Mar
  - Racquel Olegario
  - Vanessa Crowe

- 1 Apr
  - Rachel McVittie
  - Jerry Berenger

- 2 Apr
  - LAST DAY TERM 1
    - Loukia Georgiou
    - Kim Campbell

- 3 Apr
  - GOOD FRIDAY