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

Last Friday the staff of the school were taken through a reflective spiritual journey by Fr Richard Leonard. Fr Richard allowed us to focus on the young people in our care and the world in which they live. That world is a media saturated world where our students are continually subjected to messages that are at times immoral and unchristian. Messages that are reinforced continually in the many web sites they visit or the media that they view for entertainment. At times this can be in conflict with the values we profess and give young people a warped sense of what is right. With this in mind it is essential that we as educators and parents are aware of that world and continually reinforce our values and challenge some social norms as being unacceptable.

Fr Richard reminded us of our role as Christian educators to enable the young people in our care to become hope filled, faith filled loving men and women who will make a difference to society because of their values. We at Magdalene take that role very seriously. Our name Magdalene Catholic High School suggests we are committed to a Catholic outlook and our mission is to enable our students to develop their faith, academic ability and knowledge in a supportive faithful and value-laden environment. As educators at Magdalene we take this role very seriously. As we accept this role we will continue to work in partnership with parents as we promote the development and knowledge of Christian values among the young people in our care.

I remind parents, as we approach the end of term, that all students in Years 7 to 11 will receive their Mid-Year Reports. These reports are a reflection of student progress to date. The reports are a snapshot of student performance and are a summary of current learning and a guide to improved future learning. The reports are also supported by parent teacher interviews, which are meant to add to the information in the reports and increase understanding of student progress and direction. I remind parents of the importance of these two forms of communication and look forward to seeing you at parent teacher interviews. The dates for the interviews are as follows:

**Year 11**
Monday 15 June, 3.00pm - 7.00pm - Bookings open Friday June 5.

**Years 7-9**
Monday, 22 June, 3.00pm - 7.00pm - Bookings open Friday June 12.

**Years 8-10**
Wednesday, 24 June 3.00pm - 7.00pm - Bookings open Friday June 12.

Last Wednesday the student body recognised the following students at our assembly. The students were acknowledged by their peers for their commitment to academic excellence and their support of other students in their learning. Congratulations to:

- Year 7 - Brooke Smith
- Year 8 - Peter Cornett
- Year 9 - Elise Vella
- Year 10 - Mikaela Buttigieg
- Year 11 - Damon Koulouris
- Year 12 - Jordan Duncan

*Strong minds, gentle hearts*
Last Monday a number of staff and students attended the funeral of Mrs Lisa Boaro. Mrs Boaro is the mother of Madeline (Year 10), Rachel (Year 8) and Nicholas (St Paul’s Camden). It is with a great deal of sadness that we farewelled Mrs Boaro. On behalf of our community I assure Mr Paul Boaro, Madeline, Rachael and Nicholas as well as the extended family of our heartfelt sympathies, our prayers and support at this very sad time.

Over this last week we have really felt winter set in with the drop in temperature and cold weather. It is also a time when the poor and needy are in most need of support and assistance. As a school we have made many attempts to support the poor and needy through our collections for the St Vincent de Paul Society which continue at present. This week our prayer has a focus on the poor and needy recognising their plight. It is also timely to reflect on the Gospel last Thursday in which Jesus reinforces, to the disciples, that the greatest Commandment is “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself.”

In order to truly love those around us we also need to recognise our role in improving their situation. At Magalene we have the opportunity to do just that. I encourage all students to support the Winter Sleepout and the St Vincent de Paul Winter Collection.

**Prayer for the poor and needy**

Lord God,

You came to give honour to the least, those forgotten, overlooked and misjudged.
You came to give first place to the last, those left behind, misunderstood and undervalued.
You came to give a warm welcome to the lost, those who are orphaned, abandoned and destitute.

Help us to be your ears to listen to their cries.
Help us to be your voice speaking out love and acceptance.
Help us to be your feet walking beside those in need.
Help us to be your hands to clothe, feed and shelter them.

You came for the least, the lost and last of this world.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Amen.

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Mr John Lo Cascio
Principal

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**Wedding Congratulations**

Congratulations to Mr Stavros Arzapatian who was married to Paula on Saturday. We wish the new Mr & Mrs Arzapatian all the best for a wonderful life together.

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**IGNITE WINTER SLEEPOUT**

**Dates changed to Friday 19 June - Saturday 20 June**

Homelessness in Australia is a growing issue, on any given night 1 in 200 people are homeless, 60% of which are aged under 35. Every day, more than half the people who request immediate accommodation from homelessness services are turned away.

To raise money for the less fortunate, from Friday 19 June to Saturday 20 June, the Ignite Winter Sleepout will be held for students in years 8 to 12. It will run from 3pm on Friday after school overnight until 9am Saturday morning and there will be many entertaining activities throughout the night, such as handball, games, music, food, trivia and movies. It will be a great opportunity to spread awareness with others in our school community and will be a fantastic opportunity to learn about issues that affect our wider community.

We encourage everyone who will be attending to go out to their local St Vincent De Paul shop and purchase some ‘Thrift shop’ themed clothes that everyone will be wearing on the night. In the spirit of the night we will be sleeping outside, like so many people in our community are forced to do every night.

*From the Ignite Winter Sleep Out Committee*
On Friday 22 May, Mr Pannell and four Year 11 students (Riley Maguire, Elyse Beauchamp, Warwick Suters and Sophie Cornett) had the pleasure of participating in the annual Prayer and Conversation with Bishop Peter, a spiritual convention held at Holy Spirit College, Bellambi. Our opening prayer was led by the Bishop and several students from Holy Spirit College, and focused on youth connecting with the church and with our God, which became the prime message and theme of the day.

We then listened to the wonderfully talented Steve Angrisano, who lead us in a variety of fun songs, and shared stories about his work as a youth minister. He told stories that were incredibly funny and inspirational for us all, a fantastic example of someone putting their faith into action. Following this, we were all given a random quote from Pope Francis’ twitter page (If you don’t already follow our Pope, please do, you certainly won’t regret it - https://twitter.com/Pontifex) and told to partner up with someone with the same quote. This prompted some deep, thought-provoking discussions about what it means to be young and Catholic in the modern era. Furthermore, these messages and the discussions they sparked, validated Pope Francis’ title of “Pope of the people” ~ a sentiment that reflects the effort he makes to connect with our generation and inspire us to develop a closer relationship with God. Following this, and using the ideas and questions we had formulated from the Pope’s messages, we endeavoured to ask our Bishop some thoughtful questions in regards to faith specifically in regards to youth. Through the Pope’s messages and the Bishop’s thorough and intelligent answers, the ideology of life being an enriching journey really shone through. Then, the ever talented Steve Angrisano once again entertained us with songs and stories that truly emphasised several important principles and gave us a true example of how to live a life like Jesus. His enthusiastic charisma amplified the religious themes of the day, and was a fantastic addition to the experience.

Overall, the day truly was a fantastic experience, and we feel truly blessed to have been a part of it. We gleaned new knowledge, made new friends and most of all, had our relationships with Jesus inspired and rejuvenated. An incredible day for all involved. Thank you for the opportunity. God Bless!

Riley Maguire, Elyse Beauchamp, Warwick Suters and Sophie Cornett. (Year 11)
Last week Year 8 travelled to the Riverside Theatre at Parramatta for a concert by The Sydney Symphonia Orchestra. The students were able to hear a wide range of orchestral music, with commentary and demonstrations by players of all sections of the orchestra. It was a wonderful opportunity to explore what for many was an new world of listening and enjoyment.

Mr Mäe
Year 8 students were treated to a theatrical presentation on “Graffiti Education” run by the Camden Council. Our presenter, Xavier, explored key ideas which included:

- the victim’s of graffiti, including businesses, residential, public transport and schools,
- the differences of graffiti verses legitimate art and incidences of graffiti,
- where graffiti occurs,
- who writes graffiti and why,
- the criminal charges for graffiti and its cost to society

Engagement was high as the students participated in drama and discussed numerous issues including peer pressure, accepting responsibilities and consequences for being involved in anti-social behaviour. The presentation was positively received by the students and teachers.

*Mrs Foti - Year 8 Coordinator*
The following students were awarded 1st Place in their Year 11 Half Yearly Examinations. These were awarded at the recent school Assembly which was held on 3 June 2015.

Congratulations to all on the high standard of results.

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SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
3/6/2015

Student Acknowledgement Awards

Year 11 High Achievers

Sporting Representatives
HIDDEN SPORTS STARS

Name: Kayla Grech

Sport: Dance (all styles)

Achievements in the last year: At a recent dance workshop, the host Caitlin Grey offered Kayla a 3 month scholarship to be a part of the 'international student visa program' at Broadway Dance Centre New York.

Goals for the future: The dance industry is extremely hard to secure a job as everything is linked to contracts. During her time at Broadway Dance Centre, Kayla will attend auditions and hopefully be accepted and then continue with whatever that job may be. Kayla’s ultimate dream is to be a back up dancer for Singers such as Beyoncé, Katy Perry, Justin Bieber etc.

Name: Matthew Burke

Sport: Swimming

Achievements: 4th in NSW State Long Course Championships in January 2015 for 200m fly
Top ten in NSW Short Course Champs was for 100m and 200m fly in August 2014
Competed at Australian National championships in April 2015

Goals for the future: To make top 5 in Australia for 200m fly.
MISA RESULTS : Magdalene v Wollondilly (Round 5)

Jemma Crane

– NSWCCC Soccer Team

Congratulations to Jemma Crane who was selected into the NSWCCC Soccer Team. Jemma will be competing in the All-Schools Tournament on Monday 15th - Tuesday 16th June 2015.

Congratulations and Well done!

SPORTS NEWS
2 June 2015

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<td>Magdalene</td>
<td>46-3</td>
<td>The girls played really well, despite only having 7 players available to play.</td>
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<td>Congratulations on a strong second half and thanks to Renee for umpiring and</td>
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<td>Brooke for scoring. Coach: Mrs Hort</td>
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<td>Magdalene</td>
<td>37-3</td>
<td>Another great win girls. Well done. Coach: Miss L Miller</td>
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<td>7 Boys Soccer</td>
<td>Magdalene</td>
<td>3-0</td>
<td>Goals from Adam, Chris and Aaron. MVP: Tristan. Coach: Mr Wright</td>
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<td>8-9 Boys Soccer</td>
<td>Wollondilly Anglican</td>
<td>3-1</td>
<td>Great goal from Antonio Farkas. MVP: Harrison Collins-Webb. Coach: Mr Manns</td>
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<td>Finally a win. Great team work and some nice finishing. Well done. Coach: Mr Zakris</td>
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<td>well during this competition. Coach: Mr Donaldson</td>
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<td>Great game girls. Awesome pitching by Maddie and catching by Cheska. Coach: Mrs McAlister</td>
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NOTICEBOARD

Magdalene Shines 2015

WHERE STARS ARE BORN

7pm
Thursday 11th June
Mt Carmel High School Hall

Tickets on Sale in Week 7 & 8

Lunchtimes outside the Library

Adults - $12
Child / Pen - $6
Family - $30

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT
- 15 July 2015

Diocese of Wollongong Parent Forum presents
GIFTED EDUCATION CONFERENCE
PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT
Wednesday 15th July 2015 @ 7pm
## NOTICEBOARD

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Magdalene Shines 6.00pm–9.00pm |
| 12 | Fri | Yr 10 History Excursion |
| 15 | Mon | Yr 11 Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews 3pm - 7pm |
| 19 - 20 | Fri - Sat | Ignite Winter Sleepout New Date |
| 22 | Mon | Yr 7 & 9 Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews 3pm - 7pm |
| 24 | Wed | Yr 8 & 10 Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews 3pm - 7pm |
| 26 | Fri | Years 7 to 11 Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews: 9am–11am and 12noon–3pm  
PUPIL FREE DAY due to Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews |

### July

| 13 | Mon | Term 3 Commences |
| 22 | Wed | Magdalene Feast Day |

## MATHS PUZZLE

**Maths Puzzle #2**

A four digit number and its square ends in the same four digits. Find the number.

**Answer** to Maths Puzzle #2

9 376

since $9376^2 = 87909376$

**Maths Puzzle #3**

At a birthday party, the number of guests Bernard invited is equal to his age. During the party, each person shakes hands with every other person exactly once. There are a total of 253 handshakes during the party, how old is Bernard?

Answer next fortnight.

## SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open by appointment only for the remainder of this term.

The uniform shop is also in need of small sized blazers, if you have any at home which you no longer require please forward through to the front office.

If you require second hand uniforms please call Kelly O’Keeffe on 0410 553812

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