#### From the Principal's Desk

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Dear Families, Students, Staff and Friends of St Brigid's College,

#### Return from Ireland

It is wonderful to be back at the College after my pilgrimage to Ireland. I extend my thanks to all staff for their generous support in my absence, and in particular I thank Ms Janine Walsh for leading the College during this time. My week away focused on the life of the foundress of Mercy, Catherine McAuley. The experience was both formative and educational. I am thankful for this opportunity and hopeful that through this experience, I will find new and creative ways to 'light the way' here at St Brigid's.



#### National Boarding Week

This week is National Boarding Week and, in its honour, a range of activities have been organised for our boarders to become involved in. Last Tuesday night, the girls invited some of their teachers to join them for dinner. It was such a success that we are keen to make it a regular event. Thank you to Clare and Miranda from our catering team who prepared a beautiful meal.

#### Driving around SBC



Please be vigilant, drive slowly and remember to put our students first when driving around the College. The maximum speed limit on the College campus is 10km/hr. Please ensure that this limit is adhered to ... no matter how busy your life is!

#### Defining the Role of the College Nurse

Nurse Jess Coolican supports our students in maintaining good health. Nurse Jess begins and ends every day with our students at the Boarding House. Please note that the 'Wellness Centre' is not always staffed. If you would like to contact the College Nurse to seek advice or require support with your child's medical needs, please contact her at <a href="maintain:nurse@stbrigids.wa.edu.au">nurse@stbrigids.wa.edu.au</a>



Please be reminded not to send your child to the College if they are unwell.

#### Parent Forum Pre-Kindergarten – Year 6 Disco



The countdown is on! 7 days to the disco. If your son or daughter

would like to attend, the booking link for the Junior disco is: <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/CHXNP">https://www.trybooking.com/CHXNP</a>

Any funds raised are donated to Lifelink.

Thank you to our parents for planning and hosting this event.



#### Year 11/12 Exam / Mid Term Break

The mid-term break for our students in Years 11 and 12 commences on Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> May and will continue through to Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> June. Details specific to student courses has been circulated. If you have any queries regarding your child's programme, please contact Ms Walsh or Mrs Almond.

#### Let's Celebrate our Children

This week, the following primary students received Merit Awards and, as a community, we congratulate them for their efforts:



PP Gold	Millie Clarke Jack Jones Emmerson Kinnear Levi Magambo	PP Gold	Held over from Week 3: Mollie Horton Grayson Bristow-Sims Emma Bolding
1 Gold	Sophie Gallagher Alexander O'Sullivan	1 Green	Callum Heggie Ajla Sarich
2 Gold	Hudson Broderick Ella O'Shaughnessy	2 Green	Logan De Vos Erin Smith
3 Gold	Isla Gunton Kaliah Squillace	3 Green	Emilia Edwards Lahlita Pellicciotti
4 Gold	Benjamin Pattison	4 Green	Kya Davies Luna Nickson Seth Roberts
5 Gold	Kayla Pammenter Madison Schmidberger	5 Green	Aoife Eaton Sienna Willis

6 Gold

Ava Bowles Samuel Pudelek-Leaupepe Charlotte Stewart 6 Green

Marie Zoe Daby Benjamin Olk Sebastian Pearson



#### Congratulations

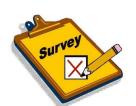


Congratulations to Mr Simon Harvey, Principal of Mazenod College, on his commissioning last Wednesday morning. I was fortunate to be able to attend Mass in celebration of the Feast of St Eugene de Mazenod and Mr Harvey's Commissioning ceremony and look forward to working closely with him and our families in the hills.

Congratulations to Year 8 student, Scarlet Noa, who was selected to represent our State in the Australian National Gymnastics Championships held on the Gold Coast. Scarlet competed with style and flare in all apparatus which included the uneven bars, beam, vault and floor. Congratulations Scarlet!



#### College Fee Survey 2023



The College is currently reviewing its fee structure.

As a result of the decision to introduce College provided computing devices to students in 2024, pro-rata costs associated with this change will be passed on to families.

Furthermore, over the past two years the costs associated with cocurricular activities such as camps and activities have increased significantly - higher than both wage and CPI growth.

In order to better inform families for 2024, the College is seeking feedback regarding the level of detail families would like when it comes to the component breakdown of the fees being paid.

Currently, five options are being considered.

Are you able to order your preferences, 1 to 5, with 1 being your preferred option and 5 being your least preferred option?

#### 1. Remain with the current Comprehensive Tuition Fee structure

Please note that the years that will be first assigned computing devices are (1, 4, 7 & 10). Students in Years 6, 7 and 12 who attend camp will also have fee increases significantly higher than the published rate.

#### 2. Partially itemise the fee structure

Costs for ICT devices are itemised separately.

Camps, activities and subject fees will remain included in the tuition fee amount.

#### 3. Appreciably itemise the fee structure

Costs for ICT devices and camps are itemised separately.

Activities and subject fees will remain included in the tuition fee amount.

#### 4. Significantly itemise the fee structure

Costs for ICT devices, camps and activities are itemised separately.

Subject fees will remain included in the tuition fee amount.

#### 5. Fully itemise the fee structure

All costs including ICT devices, camps, activities and subject fees are itemised separately to the tuition fee amount.

Comment is optional. Please use the following QR code or link to register your options and provide feedback:



2024 College Fee survey link:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=xWuLVu8n Kk6KZ1GHEqIzRDCCMD9N-

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LifeLink Launch - Thursday, 18th May



St Brigid's College was one of a number of Catholic schools across WA who attended the Archbishop's 2023 LifeLink Day - Forum for Secondary Schools yesterday, Thursday, 18th May. The LifeLink Day Forum is an opportunity for students attending Catholic schools within the Archdiocese of Perth to join together to learn about how the Church's social service agencies reach out to provide practical care and direct assistance to thousands of people in need each year.

This year LifeLink Day 2023 will be launched on Wednesday 7 June 2023. LifeLink Day provides a wonderful opportunity for students, attending Catholic schools within the Archdiocese of Perth, to join together in support of the Church's social service agencies – agencies which on behalf of us all, reach out to provide practical care and direct assistance to thousands of people in need each year.

In the words of our Archbishop, LifeLink is, at heart, an appeal to all to support those in need and it is us living our Christian faith as we listen to and do our part. "I hear but I forget, but when I see I remember, and I do I understand."



Each year in Term 2, our fundraising efforts assist LifeLink Catholic Caring Agencies within the Archdiocese of Perth. As mentioned in last week's correspondence, our community is called to support the Winter Appeal, running from Weeks 3 to 5, in support of The Shopfront and the St Pat's Community Support Centre, who provide relief to needy families in the Archdiocese of Perth.

# The Shopfron ?



Each family is asked to donate, by bringing to school, non-perishable cans, goods and donations that will assist those in need. House points will be awarded according to the amount donated by each House.

Unfortunately, donations have been a little slow in coming in. Should you be able to assist, please help where you can.

## Enrolments for Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten 2024 and Year 7, 2025



The College will commence enrolment interviews this term for Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten 2024, and Year 7 2025. If you would like to enrol your child, please contact our Registrar, Ms Patty Majko on 9290 4237 or via email – majko.patty@stbrigids.wa.edu.au

Enrolments can be completed online via the College website <a href="https://sbcl.wa.edu.au/enrolments/">https://sbcl.wa.edu.au/enrolments/</a> or alternatively call into Reception and speak with Patty.

#### Dante's Divine Comedy

Fr McMahon extends an invitation to members of our community to attend a 60-minute performance of Dante's Divine Comedy to be held in the Clergy Residence at Mazenod College on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 7.00p.m.

RSVP's (to <u>Guerinoni.pauline@stbrigids.wa.edu.au</u>) are essential and are required by 9.00a.m. on Monday morning, 22<sup>nd</sup> May.



7pm Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May
The Residence Mazenod College
Duration of the Performance 60 mins
Facilitators:
John and Emily Della Franca

Of Apple Core Cider



#### CSPWA Notice of AGM

Dear Parents,

The Catholic School Parents WA Annual General Meeting will take place in 4 weeks on Thursday the 15th June 2023. We are now in the process of setting the agenda and so we are now calling for agenda items. Please forward any items to admin@csp.wa.edu.au by Wednesday 1st June.

We also invite members from schools who are financially affiliated with CSPWA to consider nominating to Council at the AGM. In addition to contributing to the work of council at state and local level, Council members have the opportunity to represent CSPWA on national, state and Catholic education sector committees and working parties according to their experience.

If this is something you might be interested in, or if you would like to find out more, please contact Siobhan Allen, Executive Director CSPWA on 0409 025 683.

Please find below the link to the 2023/24 Council nomination form and AGM flyer.

#### 2023 CSPWA AGM Notice

#### CSPWA New Councillor Nomination Form 2023

Thank you so much for your assistance with this matter.

Regards,

Siobhan Allen **Executive Director CSPWA** 

#### St Brigid's College App

The St Brigid's College 'App' is no longer updated or supported. Please delete this 'App' from your devices. The College website: <a href="www.sbcl.wa.edu.au">www.sbcl.wa.edu.au</a> will enable you to locate the calendar and the most up to date information.

In conclusion, I have attached a copy of our flyer, 'This Week at the College' that will provide you with an overview of events for the coming week. I hope you enjoy these snippets.

Kind regards,

Veronica Parker

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Principal

Attachment

The St Brigid's College community acknowledges the Whadjuk people of the Noongar nation, the traditional owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.



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## THIS WEEK AT THE COLLEGE

Monday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> May				
Tuesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Secondary School Year Assembly Year 7 Mass Years 3 – 6 Basketball – Ray Owen Years 8 – 12 SSWA Netball			
Wednesday, 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 7 Ice-Skating Social with Mazenod College (/2 Day) Careers Seminar – South Metro TAFE (lunch time) Years 10 – 12 Football (after school)			
Thursday, 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Years 7 – 12 College Photos (Class) Confirmation Parent / Child Workshop – 5.00p.m. and 6.30p.m. Our Lady of Lourdes Parish			
Friday, 26 <sup>th</sup> May	PK – Year 6 College Photos (Class) Year 11 Dance and Drama Practical Exams Year 8 Carnival – Social with Mazenod College Junior School Disco			