Dear Members of the Loyola College Community,

This is the final newsletter for the school year and there are many interesting events to share with the College community. This year has ended on a very positive note for all the remaining year levels with Masses and celebratory events. The final week for staff has been very busy with finalising Semester Reports, planning meetings for 2017 and the induction of new staff.

Christmas Twilight Market Carols Night
Despite the inclement weather the Christmas Twilight Market was well patronised this year as was our eighth Carols night attended by families and staff on Sunday 04 December. We were able to host the events in the Companions Hall with in excess of 350 students, parents, friends and staff in attendance. The interior of the hall was beautifully lit up for the occasion thanks to Mr Tran and a special visit from Santa added to the spirit of the evening. I extend my thanks to Mr Brown and to the all the music staff together with the students who performed. The evening concluded with the lighting up of the Old Loyola tower which has a beautiful Christmas lights display from 9.00pm each evening. I thank the LPFA for organising the market stalls. Congratulations to all involved in two wonderful events.

Annual Awards Evening
This was held on Tuesday 06 December in the Loyola Companions Hall and was another successful evening attended by over 800 staff, students and their families. Our special guest this year was Professor Keith Nugent, Acting Vice Chancellor of La Trobe University and Deputy Vice Chancellor of Research. I thank Ms Cairns, Deputy Principal Staff & Operations, for overseeing the organisation of the evening. I congratulate the recipients of all awards and in particular the recipients of the following four very important awards presented on the evening:

Insignis Medal 2016
This is the highest award a Loyola student can receive and is presented annually to a Year 12 student. The medal is awarded to a student whom St Ignatius would have happily had as one of his companions. This year we congratulate Giuliano Spina on being the recipient of the Insignis Medal.

College Medals 2016
- St Ignatius Medal
  This medal is awarded to a current or former student who has given service in a pastoral or leadership capacity and has shown loyalty and commitment to the College throughout his/her time as a student. This year’s recipient is Adam Centorrino (L: 00~05).
Loyola Medal
This medal will be awarded to a current or former staff member, Canonical Administrator or chaplain who has given service in a pastoral or professional capacity and has shown loyalty and commitment to the College for an extended period of time. This year’s recipient is Teresa Schirripa (L: 00-).

Jesuit Medal
This medal will be awarded to a current or former parent or College friend who has given service in a pastoral, professional or leadership capacity and has shown loyalty and commitment to the College for an extended period of time. This year’s recipient is Kim Garth.

VCE/VCAL Results of the Class of 2016
At the time of writing this year’s Year 12 results had not as yet been published. A full report will be given in the first newsletter of 2017. We wish all our students the best of luck when the results are announced.

Staffing Matters
At this time of the year we farewell staff who are leaving the College. We thank them for their contribution to the life of Loyola and wish them well for the future.

I particularly wish to recognise the contribution of Ms Cairns who has held the position of Deputy Principal – Staff and Operations for the last 12 years. Ms Cairns has been a very loyal member of the Loyola community, her work with staff has been exemplary as has her ability to oversee the many complex operations of the College. In addition she has been and excellent classroom practitioner. She is a woman of faith and a true companion of Ignatius. We thank her and wish her every blessing as she continues to serve Catholic Education at Caroline Chisholm Catholic College.

Our best wishes and thanks go to staff leaving the College.
The following staff will complete contract positions:
Thomay Nicolaou, Jack Pearce and Michael Skoullos.

The following staff will be resigning from the College:
Michael Brown (L: 09-16) who will be returning to the UK.
Anne Marie Cairns (L: 05-16) who has accepted an appointment at Caroline Chisholm College.
Kate Caish (L: 14-16) who will be pursuing other interests.
Theresa Chamoun (L: 16) who will undertake University studies.
Jill Foley–Tighe (L: 13-16) who has accepted an appointment at Siena College.
Myra Hughes (L: 15-16) who has accepted an appointment at Genazzano FCJ College.
Jeremy Ives (L: 11-16) who has accepted an appointment at Mount Lilydale Mercy College.
Sr Nelia Llanto (L: 11-16) who concludes her time with us and will return to the Philippines.
Scott Lucas (L: 10-16) who has accepted an appointment at Trinity Grammar, Kew
Ric Roberts (L: 10-16) who has accepted an appointment at St Aloysius College, North Melbourne
Navneet Sharma (L: 14-16) who has accepted an appointment at Hume Anglican Grammar.
John Sheedy (L: 16) who will pursue other interests.

The following staff will be on leave: Mr Laws for Term 1, 2017, Ms Barbon for 2017.

We also farewell our language assistants, Eleanor Ippoliti, Justine Klepper and Anna Pupi.

A full list of new staff will appear in the first Ignatian in 2017.

I take this opportunity of thanking the College staff for their dedication and hard work this year in supporting our students and families. Education is an ongoing challenge for all of us and for those who work in Catholic schools it is a vocation of service. I greatly appreciate and value the support that my Leadership team has given me in leading the Loyola Community.

Christmas Greetings
As this year draws to a close I wish to thank all who have contributed to its success. The year has passed amazingly quickly and Christmas is with us again. This year we have reflected on the theme Accompany, Serve, Praise We have seen many examples of the living out of this theme through the actions of members of our College community who have shared their gifts and talents with us in the service of our community.

As we move towards the feast of Christmas let us take the time in this Advent season to prepare ourselves for the celebration of the Saviours’ birth reflecting on what that means for us in today’s world. God chose to become one of us born in a time of darkness
but became the **light** of the world showing us how to truly love one another and live full lives. May we welcome the Light of the Christ Child into our hearts and homes in the coming days and love as He showed us and so we can pray:

Come, long-awaited Jesus. Excite in me a wonder at the wisdom and power of Your Father and ours. Receive my prayer as part of my service of the Lord who enlists me in God's own work for justice.

Come, long-awaited Jesus. Excite in me a hunger for peace: peace in the world, peace in my home, peace in myself.

Come, long-awaited Jesus. Excite in me a joy responsive to the Father's joy. I seek His will so I can serve with gladness, singing and love.

Come, long-awaited Jesus. Excite in me the joy and love and peace it is right to bring to the manger of my Lord. Raise in me, too, sober reverence for the God who acted there, hearty gratitude for the life begun there, and spirited resolution to serve the Father and Son.

I pray in the name of Jesus Christ, whose advent I hail. Amen.

I wish all a happy, safe and blessed Christmas and look forward to having a wonderful New Year with the Loyola community in 2017.

Joseph Favrin
Principal

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**LPFA- Loyola Parent & Friend Association**

The LPFA is a group of parents, guardians, students, staff members and friends of Loyola College, combining to support community development of the College. The LPFA works primarily in welcoming families to the Loyola College Community. This is undertaken through regular monthly meetings (during term) and informally through social, fundraising and maintenance activities conducted throughout the school year.

The group meet once a month on a Wednesday evening to discuss, organise and assist with:
- Year 7 Picnic
- Working bees
- Trivia Night
- Open Day BBQ
- Twilight Market/Carols
- St Ignatius Day Celebrations
- Other fund raising events

To express your interest in joining the 2017 LPFA Committee please email Dianna Alonso – alonsod@loyola.vic.edu.au

You are welcome to attend our first 2017 Meeting on Monday, 06 February
FROM DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
(IGNATIAN MISSION & IDENTITY)

Mr Christopher Lynch
Direct Line: 9433 0227

Thank You to Our Clergy

Our parish clergy and Fr. Gerry Healy SJ continued to be wonderful supporters of liturgy at Loyola in 2016.

My thanks to Fathers Steven Rigo, Michael O’Connell, Michael McEntee and Gerry Healy SJ who have been principal celebrants for our seven end of year Masses, and Fathers Anthony Girolami, Vincent Le, George Feliciouz, Dong Tran and Tao Pham who also celebrated mass for us and presided at reconciliations throughout the year.

I wish the Loyola community a blessed, joyful Christmas and a safe, restful break.

Father Steven Rigo

Christmas Prayers

Not gold, nor myrrh, nor even frankincense would I have for you this season, but simple gifts, the ones that are hardest to find, the ones that are perfect, even for those who have everything (if such there be).

I would (if I could) have for you the gift of courage, the strength to face the gauntlets only you can name, and the firmness in your heart to know that you (yes, you!) can be a bearer of the quiet dignity that is the human glorified.

I would (if by my intention I could make it happen) have for you the gift of connection, the sense of standing on the hinge of time, touching past and future standing with certainty that you (yes, you!) are the point where it all comes together.

I would (if wishing could make it so) have for you the gift of community, a nucleus of love and challenge, to convince you in your soul that you (yes, you!) are a source of light in a world too long believing in the dark.

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Moonless Darkness Stands Between

But the Bethlehem star may lead me To the sight of Him Who freed me From the self that I have been. Make me pure, Lord: Thou art Holy; Make me meek, Lord: Thou wert lowly; Now beginning, and always, Now begin, on Christmas day. -Gerard Manley Hopkins, S.J.

Images below are from the Year 7-9 Final Masses.
### Christmas Masses in our Parishes

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- 6:30pm Mass (Family Carols at 6:00pm; Children are welcome to dress as nativity scene characters)
- Midnight Mass (Carols 11:30pm)

Sunday 25 December

- 8:00am Mass, 10:00 am Mass ONLY

### St Francis of Assisi, Mill Park

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- 9:15am Advent Mass
- 5:00pm Family Mass, 7:00pm Vigil Mass (Nativity play 6:30pm)
- 9:00pm Mass (Mass in Tagalog)
- Midnight Mass (Carols 11:30pm)

Sunday 25 December

- 9:00am Mass, 10:30am Mass ONLY

### Sacred Heart, Diamond Creek

Friday 9 December

- Annual Anointing Mass 11:00am

Wednesday 21 December

- Reconciliation: 7:00pm

Friday 23 December

- Reconciliation: 7:00pm

Saturday 24 December

- Reconciliation: 10:30am
- 6:00pm Family Mass Diamond Creek
- 9:30pm Mass Diamond Creek

Sunday 25 December

- 9:00am Mass, 10:30am Mass ONLY

### St Thomas the Apostle, North Greensborough

Wednesday 7 December

- Second Rite Reconciliation: 7:00pm

Thursday 22 December,

- Reconciliation: 7:00pm

Saturday 24 December

- Reconciliation: 9:45am
- 7:30pm Family Mass

(Please note no Midnight Mass)

### St Damian’s, Bundoora

Saturday 17 & 24 December: Reconciliation 5:00pm

Saturday 24 December

- 6:00pm Mass (Carols 5:30pm)
- 8:00pm Mass (Carols 7:30pm)
- 11:00pm Mass (Carols 10:30pm)

Sunday 25 December

- 8:00am Mass
- 10:00am Mass

### St Martin of Tours, Macleod

Tuesday 20 December: Reconciliation 7:30pm

Saturday 24 December

- 5:00pm Mass (Children’s Carols at 4:30pm)
- 8:00pm Family Mass (Carols at 7:30pm)
- 10:30pm Mass (Carols 10:00pm)

Sunday 25 December

- 7:30am Mass
- 8:30am Italian Mass
- 10:00am Mass

Saturday 31 December

- 6:00pm New Year’s Eve Mass of Thanksgiving

Sunday 1 January

- 7:30am Mass; 8:30am Italian Mass; 10:00am Mass

### Our Lady of the Way, Kingsbury

Wednesday 21 December

- 2nd Rite Reconciliation Service 7:00pm

Saturday 24 December

- 6:30pm Children’s Mass (Carols 6:00pm)
- Midnight Mass (Carols 11:45pm)

Sunday 25 December

- 8:00am & 10:00am Mass

### Our Lady Help of Christians, Eltham

Tuesday 20 December: Reconciliation 7:30pm

Saturday 24 December

- 5:30pm Mass (Family carols at 5:00pm)
- 8:00pm Mass (Carols at 7:30pm)

Sunday 25 December

- 9:00am Mass ONLY

### Our Lady Help of Christians, Eltham

Saturday 17 December

- Individual Reconciliation 10:30am

Tuesday 20 December

- Individual Reconciliation after 9:10am Mass
- Communal Reconciliation Service 7:30pm

Wednesday 21 December

- Individual Reconciliation after 9:10am Mass

### St Francis Xavier Parish, Montmorency

Saturday 17 December

- Individual Reconciliation 10:30am

Tuesday 20 December

- Individual Reconciliation after 9:10am Mass
- Communal Reconciliation Service 7:30pm

Wednesday 21 December

- Individual Reconciliation after 9:10am Mass

Saturday 24 December

- Individual Reconciliation 10:30am
- 6:30pm Mass (Family Mass: Petrie Park oval with children dressed as nativity characters, Carols at 6:00pm)
- 10:00pm Mass (Carols 9:30pm)
- [no midnight mass]

Sunday 25 December

- 8:30am Mass, 10:30am Mass (Carols before)
Retreat on the Seven Young People in the Gospels
The retreat on the Seven Young People in the Gospels was successfully celebrated in the college on December 03 & 04.

Congratulations to all participants who made the decision to attend the days in the spirit of listening and reflecting. Loyola College very graciously sponsored the students and provided their facilities for participants attending from nearby parishes.

The Catholic Schools of Evangelisation team, led by Sandra Bishop, facilitated and conveyed the following scenario in the gospels:

Young People are those growing to maturity
- First, Jesus loved the rich young man and offered him an enduring treasure rather than the wealth which enchained him;
- Second, Jesus did not have personal contact with Salome, but if the voice of the one crying in the wilderness was silenced in Herod’s palace, there is no doubt that the Word of God would be less accepted in that environment.
- Third, Jesus, the pilgrim from Galilee, reached the place just at the right time to raise a young man to life, as he was being carried to the cemetery and gave him a second chance.
- Fourth, Jesus performed the miracle of the multiplication of bread using just the little that the young boy had of five loaves of bread and two dead fish.
- Fifth Jesus passed through the gate being supervised by a young girl.
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The weekend encounter truly reflects the text in Ephesians 3:2-4 “Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love.”

My New Mission
In this last issue of the Ignatian bulletin, I would like to thank God for the wonderful six year journey I have had at Loyola College. He has allowed me to experience His goodness, generosity, trust and friendship in the many people I collaborated and served with.

Gratitude to Mr Favrin and other leaders, staff, students and parents. God has been very gracious to me and his great presence is always strongly felt. My new mission in the Philippines will commence on December 26, 2016.

If you are available, you are most welcome to join me in thanking the Lord for my time in Australia with a Thank You Mass followed by refreshments. Details are below.

Date: 16 December 2016
Time: 6:30pm
Venue: St Ignatius Chapel, Loyola College

Rest assured of my prayers and many blessings of the holy season of advent as we welcome the Lord in our midst. “The Lord bless you all and keep you; The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace” (Numbers 6:23)

A Remembering Heart
God grant to me a heart that remembers, the life in the seed that lies buried in dark night. All the mystery you have revealed to me, in the tapestry of my life, a remembering heart.

God grant to me a heart that is faithful, as the word is made flesh in the breaking of bread. The call you speak to me, the song you sing in me, the desire for you, my God, a faithful heart.

God grant to me a heart that is grateful, as the blind one who now sees sings in praise of your name. The gifts you give to me, the life you free in me, all the goodness you bestow, a grateful heart.

God grant to me a heart that truly loves as the one who surrounded his life for his friends. That I may dare to be more true to you in the face of all who need a loving heart.
Greeting and best wishes to the following staff and students who will be or have celebrated their birthday at this time.

**Staff**
Ms Fiona Devlin
Ms Thomasy Nicolaou
Mrs Anne Stringer
Miss Caaren Hulme
Mrs Judith Muir
Miss Sarah Phipps
Ms Tabitha Nash
Mr Sal Valentino
Mr Chris Lynch
Mr Paul Cocks
Miss Lisa Hussey

**Students**
Isaac Bugeja 9 ASKC
Joanna Lin 7 XLCH
Isabelle Bruce 11 FJPV
Samuel Gheller 12 FFCH
Margret McAllister 12 CLHO
Danilo Milidoni 9 ADJD
Catriona Thomson 12 XMCU
Tyra Clayton 8 CFPH
Olivia Madi 12 FSKE
Massimo Minnelli 7 FSKE
James Roche 7 XMCU

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**FROM YOUTH MINISTER**

Miss Theresa Chamoun  
Direct Line: 9433 0253

Reflection on 2016 Philippines Immersion

From 18-29 September, ten students and three staff members experienced an immersion in the Philippines. They enjoyed the hospitality of the Pastorelle Sisters and the Jesus Good Shepherd Schools.

We look forward to welcoming students and staff from the Philippines to visit Loyola College in September 2017 and to those visiting the Philippines again in 2018.

Below are some reflections from this year’s participants.

‘Upon arriving to the Philippines, I remember being overwhelmed by all the love and generosity we were shown there by both the Pastorelle Sisters, staff and the students of JGSS. I remember the sounds of enthusiastic children, singing, dancing and of course, the children’s favourite game – “puk gnern”. You could almost constantly smell good food cooking due to the fantastic hospitality of the Sisters, and feel the tropical climate. However, I specifically remember struggling whilst visiting the Chosen Children’s Home. This was incredibly difficult as we were required to visit and assist children with the most severe disabilities. I could feel tears welling up as I assisted a girl I was assigned to help have her morning tea. She was blind and had other disabilities. I thought she would be unable to communicate with me. However, as I helped her eat, she would grab my hand and squeeze it tight, causing me to become a little emotional. However, as I helped her eat, she would grab my hand and squeeze it tight, causing me to become a little emotional. Simply seeing children in such a situation was really, really challenging.”

This experience has taught me to be kinder, more patient and generous. I have learnt to be more appreciative of what I have rather than upset about what I lack. It has also encouraged me to be open to new things, both big and small.

- Lara Magaldi

“I remember the kids’ excitement and faces lighting up as we walked past or chatted to them. My hopes were to meet people and help in any way I could, and I really think the group did that. Some of the challenges were encountering severely disadvantaged people and, in some cases, negotiating the language barrier.”
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IT'S SHOWTIME!

LOYOLA PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

Ladies and gentlemen, we invite you to sponsor a seat in our new Performing Arts Centre.

Join other members of the school community and commemorate your connection to Loyola College in the name of your family, your son or daughter, your business or in memory of a loved one.

When you sponsor a seat in the Performing Arts Centre, your support will be recognized for the lifetime of the College, with a plaque carrying your name and taking pride of place on a seat.

This fully tax deductible gift of $500 will have a seat in situ for generations of Loyola College students.

Funds raised from seat sponsorship will ensure that the new building is fully equipped with all necessary resources. This purpose-built facility will feature tiered seating for 500 and state of the art audiovisual facilities.

The whole community is invited to be a part of this momentous project. Construction is due for completion in September 2016 and there are limited seats available, so don't delay!

For information contact Denise Chang-Faux at changfauxd@loyola.vic.edu.au or 9433 0281
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In Memory

In Memory of
Jacqui Lloyd-Wright
1915 - 2015
This experience opened my eyes to the world others live in. Material things aren’t the most important and having others that make you happy is the best thing to have. Life is beautiful and being in situations like the feeding program really helps us understand this. This immersion has increased my sense of gratitude and influenced my future plans to be a person who helps others.” - Naomi Schilke

This immersion pushed me well outside my comfort zone and helped me to become a much more compassionate individual. I now know that I want to dedicate my time and abilities towards bettering others, and I hope to be involved in many more experiences similar to this one.” - Briana Rose

“This experience revealed to me that there is much more to the world beyond your own everyday experiences, and it opened up my eyes to aspects of poverty and injustice, but at the same time, the beautiful Filipino culture.” - Claire Pasquali

FROM DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (TEACHING AND LEARNING)

2016 certainly has been a very exciting year for our students and as we approach Christmas, it is worth reflecting on our year.

Semester Two Reports
Parents and guardians will receive their reports in the next week and it is important to celebrate the successes and consider how to improve in 2017. We will be looking at the Semester Two Reports during our first Academic Companions session in 2017.

I would like to thank the teaching and support staff for all their work over the year. We have a great team at Loyola and continue to work for the benefit of our students. I would also like to thank the parent community for their ongoing support of their child, and support for the College.

2016 Year 7 Digital Devices Parent & Student Workshops
Thank you to all parents and guardians who attended the workshop sessions. If you have any further enquiries please contact the Loyola ICT department.

I wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas and we look forward to working with you in 2017.

FROM ICT MANAGER

Mr Victor Dalla-Vechia
Direct Line: 9433 0258

ICT lessons learned from an Ignatian pilgrimage
Earlier this year I, along with two other staff members, had the privilege of traveling to France, Spain and Italy, following in the footsteps of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, our College patron. The pilgrimage was an enriching experience both professionally and personally. As the ICT Manager, I would like to offer the following reflection.

Saint Ignatius and a small group of companions founded the Society of Jesus, also known as the Jesuits. Saint Ignatius, himself, was a very spiritual man who developed his gift of discerning God’s Will through the practice of daily prayer and reflection.

Celebrating a 21st Century Catholic Education for Girls & Boys
Come and see us at our Primary Parents Information Evening

Tuesday 14 February 2017
Tours from 6.30 pm - 7.20 pm
With a Formal Presentation Commencing at 7.30 pm

Applications for Year 7 2018 - Close 17 February 2017
Applications for Year 7 2019 - Close 25 August 2017

For further information contact Dianna Alonso - Community Liaison Officer on 9433 0228

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Photographed below is perhaps one of the most mystical places on earth – Montserrat, in Spain. It was here that Saint Ignatius, after much discernment and some extraordinary mystical experiences, laid down his knight’s sword and a life of chivalry and committed himself to serving God’s Word through a life of poverty. Mankind has been the richer for it.

Before any major decision in life, it may be worth asking “is this decision consistent with my values and/or does it in some way bring glory to God?” If the answer is “no”, then perhaps some time in prayerful discernment will help prevent a bad decision or, at the very least, a seemingly good decision being made for the wrong reasons.

ICT offers many opportunities for new, immersive experiences, but these should not be at the cost of one’s health or relationship with others. Each evening, spend some technology free time thinking over the day, finding a couple of things one can be grateful for and thinking about how some of those not-so-good things can be improved. Then put them into action the following day.

Saint Ignatius was also a very practical and pragmatic person. Realising that more can be achieved when people work together, he took the time to discuss and debate issues affecting himself and those around him and he put in the effort to develop and document the guidelines and processes necessary for the Jesuit ministries to flourish and be effective in their Christian service.

Through social media and email one can communicate in quite an impersonal way with any number of friends, colleagues and online acquaintances. But what is often required is that face-to-face conversation, or perhaps the taking of the time necessary to explain and write down one’s position on a matter or what one requires to be done. Develop empathy, seek out those conversations and spend the time necessary to nurture those relationships that are necessary for a healthy and effective personal and work life.

LPFA Twilight Market – A big thank you to all
A wonderful day was had by all. There was a great vibe as the 30 stall holders set up creating a market feel. There were so many amazing goods which included – art sculptures, jewellery, candles, Christmas hampers, homemade baking, Children’s activities, body lotions, flower pots and so many more.

The weather held out until around 6:00pm and that was when the stall holders moved into the Companion Hall – a good contingency plan is always needed in Melbourne!

I would like to thank so many people, who without their assistance the success of the event would not have been possible.

Thank you to all LPFA and PWP Committee members and families who assisted with the roster.

A special thank you to our organisers:

Salwa Abboud & family
Kim & Carl Garth & family
Sally, Robert & extended family
PK, Patrick Feain & family
Joanne Pritchard
Leesa & Sid Mereos

David Alonso
Belinda Mertzanidis
Laurie Rigoni

Mrs Dianna Alonso
Community Liaison Officer
Direct Line: 9433 0228
alonsod@loyola.vic.edu.au
Thank you to all the very many students who assisted in moving stall holders along with the unpacking and setting up of table and chairs for the exams.

It was a great learning experience and so much was learnt from the venture, I truly look forward to next year’s Twilight Market – Sunday, 03 December 2017!

Raffle Winners
1st Prize (Hamper) – Jack Russell
2nd Prize (Jewellery/Hair straightener Package) – Lorraine Meeros
3rd Prize – (Printer/hamper) – Deb Bland
4th Prize – (Nutrimetics package) – Joanne Pritchard.

Attention Year 12 families
If you no longer require any Loyola School Uniform items, please consider donating them to the school. They are used when our Exchange students come to stay, emergencies and for families in need.

Loyola College Online Second hand Book Sale
Loyola College will be providing an online second hand Textbook Trade System which is organised by the Sustainable School Shop.

This service enhances the sense of school community as the transaction is parent to parent, each helping the other in a non-competitive environment.

The school’s book lists are loaded into the system to make the Ad listing process easy, fast and accurate. The Ad Matching service shows you:

- Exactly the right items to buy
- Who has the most items you need

The cost to sell or buy one item is $1.50, or you may choose an annual fee of $21.50 which would allow you to buy and sell an unlimited number of items.

Register on the Sustainable School Shop website www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au

Homestays needed for 2017
For several years we have been able to accept students from Malpighi High School in Bologna, Italy for 1 or 2 terms. In 2017 we can offer students in Year 10 or 11 a place for Term 4 (July to September) providing there are families who are willing to look after these students whilst they are here.

The students who have been a part of this program have returned home with glowing tales of a wonderful experience at both school and home level. As a consequence other students from their school are keen to travel to this far off country and see how life is in a typical Australian school and family.

Accommodation expenses are paid to the Homestay family according to whether the student has a room to his/herself ($220.00) or shares a room ($200.00).

To find out what is involved in being a Homestay family please contact me before the end of this month as preparations will take some time.

International House & Manresa Cottage
Just inside Gate 4, on the corner of Bungay and Kenmare Streets sits our International House which is used for accommodation on a short term basis for both overseas Visitors and members of our College and local community.

Behind the Old Loyola building in the south western corner of the property, sits a quaint little Cottage that we also rent out.

These rentals are ideal for family members or friends who have to attend a function or appointment in Melbourne and require an overnight stay or longer at a very reasonable price.

Some of our families have extended family who live interstate and rent the cottage on a regular basis when paying a visit to Melbourne for a week or a fortnight. Loyola’s close proximity to shops and the train makes it ideal to be independent and yet close to relatives as well. This is especially the case at Christmas.

For more information about these unique short term rental opportunities please refer to the Loyola College Website. Alternatively, you can contact myself via telephone or email alonsod@loyola.vic.edu.au.
FROM DIRECTOR OF SPORT

Mr John Baxter
Direct Line: 9433 0238

Last week we had 14 of our junior teams compete in ACS Grand Finals. 7 of our teams won ACS Premierships.

Premiership Cups:
Year 7 Boys Basketball A:
Jack Boskovski, Caleb Bruggeman, Byron Copley, Thomas Elder, Oscar Gavillucci, Noah Gorgievski, Ryan Ikhtear, Harry Manolis, Joshua Page, Makai Plummer

Premiership Shields:
Year 8 B Girls Volleyball: Lily Colley, Mia Di Muzio, Chanel Dinh, Emma Dwyer, Tegan Goodge, Alana Leahy, Kira Martorella, Celeste Sammut, Paige Stbna, Phoebe Taplin

Year 7 Basketball C: (undefeated for the season)
Drew Doorbar, Hamish Garrard, Bailey Grollo, Joseph O'Mahony, Jacob Robinson, James Trapani, Luke Vigliotti, Harrison Willits, Zachary White

Premiership Cups:
Year 7 Cricket:
Matthew Brennan, Tom Brooks, Daniel Federico, Shehan Fernando, Matthew Furness, Levi Gilbee, Thomas Harrison, Thomas Hewett, Sam Lunn, Alex Miller, Massimo Minnelli, James Roche, James Rowley, Matthew Vassallo, Rory Williams, Stanley Zhou

Year 7 Girls Softball: (undefeated for the season)
Amy Barclay, Tyana Brkic, Sarah Caruana, Georgia Christou, Erica Cirianni, Ashley Farrugia, Molly Harvey-Yin, Morgan Jones, Sheridan Jones, Madeleine O'Donnell, Jasmine Sills, Ainsley Tucker

Year 7 Girls Soccer: (undefeated for the season)

Year 9 Girls Softball:
Elisha Bernal, Georgia Burn, Amy Burnham, Lycette de Souza, Rachel Harb, Jessica Ikhtear, Sarah Johnson, Kayla Liwang, Neve Owens, Claudia Rizzo, Ginelle Roxas, Kaitlyn Tanti, Kiara Tramontana

Premiership Shields:
Year 9 Basketball:
Drew Doorbar, Hamish Garrard, Bailey Grollo, Joseph O’Mahony, Jacob Robinson, James Trapani, Luke Vigliotti, Harrison Willits, Zachary White

Commiserations to our defeated finalists:
Year 9B Basketball, Year 9 Cricket, Year 7 Tennis, Year 7 Table Tennis, Year 7 B Volleyball, Year 7 Boys Hockey (beaten after extra time in a penalty shoot-out), & Year 9 Girls Soccer (beaten after extra time in a penalty shoot-out), but congratulations on your seasons'.

This brings our 2016 year tally to 38 Grand Finals and 22 Premierships, which is our most successful year in ACS Sport on record. We look forward to 2017 and building on our success with more hard work and fun!
Basketball | Opponent | Result | Scores | MVP
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9B | Thomas Carr | Lost | 31-11 | Justin Brown
7A | Westbourne | Won | 35-24 | Harry Manolis
7B | Thomas Carr | Lost | 45-59 | Thomas Baird
7C | Thomas Carr | Won | 26-20 | Hamish Garrard

| Opponent | Result | Scores | MVP |
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Soccer | Opponent | Result | Scores | MVP
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Year 9 | Overnewton | Lost | 4-5 | Taylah Curavic
Year 7 | St Leonards | Won | 5-0 | Nina Santolisi

Tennis | Opponent | Result | Scores | MVP
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Year 7 | Overnewton | Lost | 3(31)-9(63) | Zahra Paolini

Volleyball | Opponent | Result | Scores | MVP
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8B | St Michaels | Won | 3-2 | Alana Leahy
7B | Overnewton | Lost | 3-1 | Olivia Karaula

Cricket | Opponent | Result | Scores | MVP
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Year 9 | Overnewton | Lost | 9/111-91 | Ryan Sturgess
Year 7 | St Leonards | Won | 3/92-8/86 | Alexander Miller

Hockey | Opponent | Result | Scores | MVP
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Year 7 | St Leonards | Lost | 8-7 | Joshua Fell

Table Tennis | Opponent | Result | Scores | MVP
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Year 7 | Overnewton | Lost | 5-10 | Antonino Vandoros

Other Sports Results – Girls

| Opponent | Result | Scores | MVP |
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Girls Softball | Opponent | Result | Scores | MVP
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Year 9 | Thomas Carr | Won | 13-11 | Jessica Ikhtear
Year 7 | St Leonards | Won | 17-12 | Georgia Christou

PWP- Partnership with Parents

The PWP group supports Loyola College in developing a strong sense of community through the six house systems with a special focus on parents. The group meet 4 times a year on a Monday evening to discuss, organise and assist with:

- Year 7 picnic
- Annual Houses Mass and Dinner
- Year 7 Orientation evening
- Other House events

Please forward your expressions of interest if you would like to join the 2017 Partnership with Parents to Dianna Alonso – alonsod@loyola.vic.edu.au
LOYOLA COLLEGE  SUNDAY PARISH MASSES: DIAMOND VALLEY DEANERY

Student Absence  Tel: 03 9433 0248
Email: office@loyola.vic.edu.au
Reception and Fees Office: 8am~5.00pm Monday to Friday
Library: 8.00am~5.45pm, Monday to Thursday
8.00am~5.00pm, Friday
Uniform Shop: Tuesday 8.00am ~ 9.00am and Wednesday 3.15pm ~ 4.00pm

MASS AT LOYOLA:
For Masses see “From Deputy Principal ~ Ignatian Mission and Identity”

St Damian’s Bundoora: Saturday 5.30pm, Sunday 8am, 10am
Sacred Heart, Diamond Creek: (1st Saturday of Month)
7.15pm, St Peters, Hurstbridge
Sunday 9.00am, Sacred Heart

Our Lady Help of Christians, Eltham: Saturday 6pm;
Sunday 9am, 11am
St Mary’s Greensborough: Saturday 6.30pm; Sunday 8am, 10am, 5pm
St Thomas, North Greensborough: Saturday 6pm; Sunday 10.30am
Our Lady of the Way, Kingsbury: Saturday 6pm; Sunday 8am, 10am
St Martin’s Muckleford: Saturday 6pm; Sunday, 7.30, 8.30 (Italian), 10am
St Francis of Assisi, Mill Park: Saturday 5.00pm;
Sunday 9am, 10.30am, 5pm
St Francis Xavier, Montmorency: Saturday 6pm; Sunday 8.30, 10.30am
St Mary’s, Kinglake: Sunday 6.30pm;
St Joseph’s, Mernda: Saturday 5:30pm & Sunday 8:00am
St Joseph’s Nazareth Centre Sunday 10:30am

WHAT’S ON AT WATSONIA

COLLEGE RECEPTION OFFICE CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR CLOSURE
PLEASE NOTE THAT THE COLLEGE RECEPTION OFFICE WILL CLOSE ON FRIDAY 23 DECEMBER 2016 AND RE-OPEN ON MONDAY 09 JANUARY 2017

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