Welcome to our October Newsletter

GOOD THINKING
“Never see a need without trying to do something about it”
St Mary of the Cross.

I am relieved that the media circus surrounding Mary MacKillop’s canonization is all over and Catholics can now quietly integrate her presence and philosophy into their lives. I often wondered what Australians who are not Catholics and may have no knowledge of Catholicism, thought about it all. The quote I have used here shows Mary summing up the Christian life beautifully and this will be used over and over here at Brigidine. I include with this Newsletter an article from Bishop Manning which is a very balanced analysis of the life of St Mary of the Cross and her effect on others and is well worth reading.

NEW SCHOOL LEADERS

We had a simple and affecting Assembly on Friday to give badges to the 2011 school leaders from our HSC year. It is always good to have the presence of proud parents at the Assembly and to talk later at the Morning tea with them and their daughters.

Summer School for 2011 HSC students 19-23 January 2011

Campion College at Old Toongabbie is holding a summer school for students entering Year12 in 2011. Campion is a Liberal Arts Catholic College. Ms Watson has some flyers and the program looks good. Our Year 11 girls will be encouraged to think about it. Please see the e-flyer at the end of this newsletter.

THANKS A MILLION

To the Brigidine teachers who have prepared our girls so well for their HSC exams. The exams are progressing without any dramas from questions “out of left field” so far. Many girls have been emailing teachers essays and queries over the holidays and right up until the exam day.

BRIGIDINE BASICS

Many girls in the Junior years are wearing soft soled canvas shoes with their sports uniform. The soft soled shoes are fashionable and even more fashionably, the girls leave out the laces or wear a pair that do up with Velcro. These shoes are not correct Brigidine uniform. The girls need to be wearing solid soled lace up trainers. I need to see an improvement in the footwear the girls are wearing with their sports uniform. The girls in Year 9 in particular are not being faithful to the undertaking they each made in regard to uniform when they were given a place in the school.
BRIGIDINE PARENTS & FRIENDS
Term 4 Meeting
Tuesday 26 October 2010 at 7.00pm
Location: DC 5

This meeting is the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** and nominations are called for the following Executive positions:
- President
- Vice-President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Fundraising/Social Co-ordinator
- Parent Representative Co-ordinator

**SO COME ALONG AND GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR DAUGHTER’S EDUCATION.**

Any nomination may be made to me by email: ssuchy@internode.on.net

Sue Suchy, Secretary, Brigidine P & F: 0409 662 433

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The cast from **FAME the Musical** will be here this Friday at lunchtime for a performance for students in Cullen Centre, as was done by the cast from Wicked.

Arrangements will be made in the near future for the opportunity to purchase cheap tickets to see this production. Bookings will be available online. (Details will be published on the College website when made available to us).

**Congratulations** to **Molly Blakey**, Year 7, who competed in the NSW All Schools’ Track and Field Championships on 7 – 10 October. Molly competed in the 100m, 200m, and the 400m events

Molly came 2\textsuperscript{nd} in the 400m and she is now going to compete at the Australian All Schools’ Championships in Melbourne in December. Molly is a fantastic athlete and it is wonderful to watch her run.
BUSINESS STUDIES AND ECONOMICS COMPETITIONS

Earlier this year, Year 12 Business Studies and Economics classes sat the UNSW Schools’ competitions. The competitions attract over 14000 participants from Australia and New Zealand.

Congratulations to the following
Business Studies students:
Distinction: Suparna Dey and Kate Nichols
Credit: Sharon Chin, Stephanie Raftos, Melanie Jove-Parada, Stephanie Fenech, Javiera Barrales, Sylvia Chensen, Kiriana Wynyard, Sarah Adams, Marika Casimatis, Clare Terrance, Akira Gokoolparsad and Claudia Swietochowski.

Economics students
Credit: Vicky Liang, Kate Nichols, Veronica-Sherwood Meares and Maggie Yuan.

Ms J Nicolas
HSIE Commercial Coordinator

WORLD YOUTH DAY FUNDRAISER: EAT LOVE PRAY

When: FRIDAY 22nd October 2010
6.30p.m. movie starts (approx. 9.10p.m. finish)

Where: Ritz Cinema

Cost: $10.00 all tickets.

Contact: Elizabeth Cummings: 0431 861 387

Please come along and support this great movie night to raise funds to send five Brigidine College girls to World Youth Day 2011 in Madrid.

REFLECTION DAY:

Parents and Staff are invited to a Reflection Day with Fr Michael Whelan sm. Fr Michael will be discussing ‘Creative waiting’ on Saturday 6 November. This is free.
To be held at St Patricks, in the Crypt, in the Rocks Sydney from 10.00am to 3.00pm.
RSVP online to www.maristlaityaustralia.com/email
For further information go to http://www.maristlaityaustralia.com/news/images/reflection-day-ad.gif
Option:
For country/interstate participants

**Tuesday 18 January**
- Coach tour of the City of Sydney
- Movie night

**Day One: Wednesday 19 January**
- Mass and address by Bishop Anthony Fisher OP
- Introduction to Campion by a group of graduates and current students
- Study Skills Session 1
- Snorkelling at Clovelly Beach
- Movie Night

**Day Two: Thursday 20 January**
- Morning Prayers
- Study Skills, session 2
- An introduction to serious History by Dr Luciano Boschiero and Dr Susanna Rizzo
- Team Building activities
- Vigil – music, prayer, teaching, exposition, testimony, followed by supper

**Main Programme**

**Day Three: Friday 21 January**
- Morning Prayers
- Study Skills, session 3
- An introduction to World Literature, Dr Stephen McInerney
- Bush walk and swim in the Blue Mountains
- Film night - The Gran Torino

**Day Four: Saturday 22 January**
- Morning Prayers
- Study Skills, session 4
- An introduction to the study of Philosophy, Dr Amitavo Islam
- Leadership Training
- Trivia Night, with Mr Paul Abela

**Day Five: Sunday 23 January**
- Mass
- An introduction to Theology with Fr Luke Holohan SM
- Motivational Session and review of the week – making connections
- School ends at approximately 3.00 pm