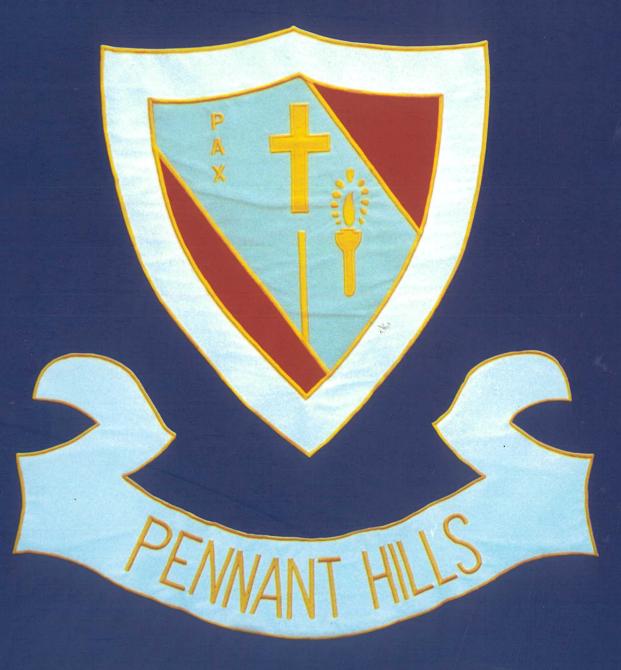
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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



As I write this report for the Year 2000, I am conscious of how "big" this year is. Certainly 2000, the dawn of the new millennium or the "eve", as some would say, heralds the future century with all its hopes, dreams and potential. At the same time, 2000 is the Year of Jubilee, where as a Christian community we celebrate the gifts of our Christian heritage and we reflect on what has been and dream for what will be. The themes of rest, renewal and righting of relationships provide the focus for our reflections and in our parish and school life these have given us a way of structuring our reflections.

The buzz of the Olympics in Sydney, with one of our own students, Jana Pittman making the Olympic team and students and staff involved in the opening ceremonies has ensured that 2000 will not only be memorable for us but, will always hold a special place in the heart of our community.

All of this has led me to wonder what else has 2000 meant for the community of Mount St Benedict College?

As the year opened we celebrated the success of the class of '99 in their HSC. Whilst we shared in the joy of the outstanding results of the girls, what the class really gave to us was a clear message of the importance of balance in all that we do. In farewelling Sr. Catherine McCahill sgs, at the end of '99 not only did we say goodbye and thank-you, we also closed a chapter in the history of Mount St. Benedict. Sr. Catherine was the last Sister of the Good Samaritan to work at the College. Now vested in those of us left behind is the special privilege of keeping alive the mission and charism of the Sisters. In 2000 we welcomed Mr Brian Loughland to the position of Religious Education Co-ordinator and together with Mr John Hamey, the newly appointed Assistant

Religious Education Co-ordinator he established himself in the refurbished meeting room.

In a very special way the Year of Jubilee provided a particular focus for us at Mount St. Benedict. The inaugural Social Justice Forum was an outstanding effort on the part of Mrs Sue Lennox the Social Justice Co-ordinator and the Social Justice team. With students from our sister schools, Rosebank Five Dock and St. Mary's Star of the Sea Wollongong, we joined with students from Loreto Normanhurst and Cheltenham Girls' High to look at topical issues. In the closing liturgy, the image of the "well"

'deep, unpiped and real filled with buckets and buckets of that life-giving drink'

provides a sense of the depth of commitment that was evident in the group and a sense of the dream for the future.

In the Olympic year with "goal setting" and "personal bests" being the language of the day, we too have been busy setting our future directions and aspirations. Work on the Strategic Plan for the College has been a focus of 2000, giving our Mission and Vision Statement a practical reality.

The farewell to Mr. John Day, our College Bursar and the welcome to Mr. Peter Sultana as College Business Manager is evidence of the outstanding management of our financial affairs. Both men have shared their expertise, and more, with our community. The appointment of Mrs Anne Hamilton as IT Manager has given the College a way of forging our dream for integrated technology into a 'lived experience'. Anne has worked with students, staff and parents to ensure that the experience has been positive and rewarding.

The Parents and Friends Association have not only worked incredibly hard to give financial support to the College, masterminding the "Bulb Fundraiser", "Car Boot Sale" and the "Walkathon", they have also tried to further build the parent community with the Parent Support Network.

For the girls, from our Year 12s to our Year 7s, the year has been one of real engagement in their educational experience, both academic and beyond. Celebration of participation and success has been the focus of our College Assemblies and Newsletters. Always, at the heart of this recognition has been the genuine sharing by the school community of support and encouragement. The Mount St. Benedict Day concert gave real testimony to this in a fun-filled way. The Year 2000 has indeed been a special one for us all, one where we have reflected, and dreamed, and set our goals, one where we have tried to rest, renew and right relationships.

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ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It is all very exciting, isn't it? Here we are in the year 2000, the year of the Sydney Olympics, the year of the new HSC, a year when we look to the future, a year when a greater world is opened to us.

In curriculum, changes are occurring constantly with a more prescribed and 'rigorous' curriculum in both senior and junior years. As well as English, Mathematics and Science the students in Year 8 this year will now face exams in Mandatory Australian History, Geography, Citizenship and Civics. The new Higher School Certificate starts for those students who have entered Year 11 which brings many changes, particularly by way of reporting and assessment. Students will no longer be measured against their peers but against standards for which they will be given criteria.

In technology, advances both help and challenge us. We now use laptops, students present assignments using Powerpoint and video presentations. A whole new world of communication is opening to us. Students are becoming freer to become more independent learners as their access to information is almost unlimited.

Both students and teachers are now constantly learning and adapting to change. It is time to consider what we do with this information and with our new skills.

Surely, it is important that we make a difference to the world in which we live? Maybe as teachers this is why we have chosen the career that we have. Maybe, as young women of the 21st century, you can do something to make this world a better place. Think about what you can do.



Think about how you can make a difference. Think about why you were born with such power to change things.

Small things make a difference. How often have you arrived as school, especially on Monday morning, feeling as though you would rather be somewhere else, when someone has genuinely greeted you in a way that makes you feel they are glad to see you, glad that you are here? How can you make other people feel they are important to you and important to others?

Think about the talents that you have. Are you a musician? Are you a good dancer? Are you a student who has original ideas? Are you a sportsperson? Are you a convincing public speaker? Are you academically gifted? Are you artistic? Are you technologically adept?

Think about how you can use these talents. Think about it, as we enter the new millennium. Imagine what a difference you can make to the world.

All the things you learn at school must be of some use to others, otherwise we must ask the question "why are we here?"



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THIRD ROW:

SECOND ROW:

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Miho Fukumoto, Elizabeth Dunger, Sue Millar, Carmel Dunn, Margaret Rowland, Kerry Teulan, Kate Sharp, Julie Walsh, Jenny Amys, Vesna Hatezic,

Naomi Goodwin, Michelle Daley, Robert Barrett, Sue Lennox, Gaye Clarke, John Day, Mary Ann Dudley, Morna King, Lynne Gibson, Larraine Meakin.

Jenny McLeod, Judy Martin, Jane Elliot, Helen Ehret, Jenny Morgan, Annabelle Pascoe, Carmel Kelleher, Wendy Jones, Megan Hunter, Jill Fraumeni, Heather Johnston, Dianne Davis, Sue Gadiel, Adeline McGuire, Irene Abbott, Maria Jurus, Leanne Sylvester, Emma Magill.

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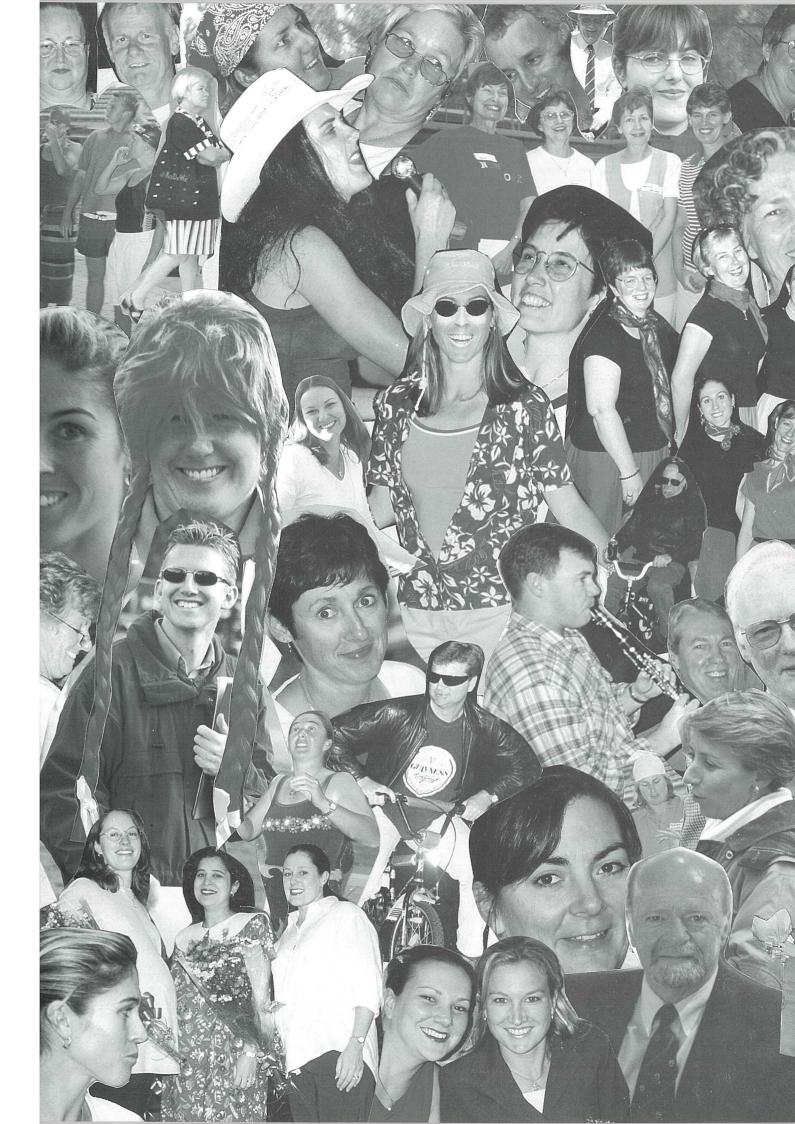
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COLLEGE CAPTAIN'S REPORT



When asked to write this report, my initial thought was, "Is it that time already?". This year seems to have passed much quicker than previous years! It saddens me to have to write this report in conclusion of my time as College Captain of Mount St Benedict College, which has been such a fulfilling period of my life. I have definitely enjoyed it and feel privileged, even to this day, to have had the opportunity to play such an important role within our College community.

It is certainly hard to say 'good-bye' to a place that has practically been my second home for the past six years. There have been so many things that have made my time at the College such a memorable one, and have probably made it the best six years of my life. It is my belief that the high school years in one's life are perhaps the most crucial in the development of a personality. They are the years when one develops through their relationships and the environment they are in. The friendships I have made, both with fellow Year 12 students and younger students, are invaluable and have taught me so much about myself as an individual. With the support and encouragement they provide they have made my time at Bennies, especially in the past year, so much easier. Mount St Benedict is a school where the girls show true love and friendship for one another, and where 'hospitality' shines as an important element of our lives.

I would like to thank Mrs Sinclair for her guidance and support, Mrs Comerford for her administrative assistance and her tolerance, and Mr Davis for his warm greeting every day as I walk past his office door. Best of luck in your retirement next year, Mr Davis, I am sure your presence and sense of humour, both around the school grounds and at the weekly assemblies, will be sorely missed!

On behalf of the prefect body I wish to acknowledge the work of Mrs McGuire in her role as part of the prefect body. She has worked extremely hard with Mrs Marsh in heading the prefect body. To Mrs Marsh, a very big thank you – your ability to administer not only the prefect body, but the Year 12 form as well, is amazing. Thank you, too, for your hours of hard work and commitment not only to myself, but to all of Year 12.

To Vanessa Brown and Sandra Gabrael, thank you for your tireless efforts and your support this year. Without you, I may not have survived! The house captains also deserve a big thank-you for their support and friendship. In this year of Jubilee you have all worked hard in your own ways to make this a memorable year for us all.

Finally, I would like to thank Year 12, 2000, for your support, assistance, friendship and the opportunity to have been your representative. To Antonia and the prefect body of 2001, I wish you the best of luck in your final year at the College. Remember that the motto, chosen by Year 12, 2000, 'Through unity we grow stronger', not only applied to us in our final year, but is a phrase that can be used as a guide within our College community for years to come.

Anne-Marie Miccoli

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PREFECTS 2000



THIRD ROW: SECOND ROW:

Gillian Quarmby, Grace Chuck, Sally Besanvalle, Jessica Crause, Breanna Barker. Mrs J Marsh, Lucy Macdonald, Sunaina Pinto, Therese Kenny, Vanessa Vitali,

Megan Woodward, Pru Engel, Mrs A McGuire.

FRONT ROW:

Joanna Cardino, Jackie Durham, Sandra Gabrael, Anne-Marie Miccoli, Ms H Sinclair,

Vanessa Brown, Jenny Cropper, Kylie Lynch, Andrea For.

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Prefects

Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair

Being a prefect is certainly more than just wearing a badge. The prefects of 2000 strived to do their best, actively involving themselves, and often others, in various areas of the College community. They ran inter-house sport to get students active, held school radio whenever possible to help students feel relaxed, did yard duty and sun-screen patrol to keep girls proud of their school and themselves, as well as participating in numerous committees that developed our school as a whole; for example, the Amnesty, Debating and Environment Committees, and the not-to-be-forgotten Liturgy Committee which played an important role with Mr Loughland, helping our school gatherings to be meaningful and memorable.

On behalf of prefects past and present, we would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Marsh and Mrs McGuire for their consistently tireless efforts over the year, keeping the prefects up to date and organised. Your guidance will be sorely missed in the future. We very much appreciate the great system already established and extend our best wishes to the new co-ordinators.

To the prefects of 2000: congratulations on a great year and a job well done! In sharing these past 12 months in leadership roles we shared a lot of laughs, learnt a few lessons in tolerance, and learnt, most importantly, *Through unity we grow stronger*. Many hands really did make light work.

In closing, we wish all the prefects of 2001 all the very best. We are certain you will all strive to achieve and 'Be the difference that makes the difference'. Do your best, girls, and good luck!

Vanessa Brown



WALKATHON 2000

This year a dedicated group of parents on the Parents and Friends fund-raising Committee organized an extremely successful Walkathon. The 15 kilometre hike resulted in sore feet and some blisters, but we certainly had a lot of fun on the way!

Teachers, along with the students, trekked along the hilly path through the back streets of Beecroft to reach the glorious 'golden arches' at Carlingford, then down through Epping before winding back through Beecroft again to the school. While most walked, some ran (crazy) and completed the course in record time.

The first group to leave the school consisted of Year 7s and 12s. They sped off from the hall, followed by Year 10 and Year 9. The last to leave were the Year 11s and Year 8s. Everyone joined in the fun, dressed in bright coloured outfits that meant they would not be missed by the passing traffic!

With the construction and renovations being undertaken at Carlingford Court, receiving our lunch from McDonalds was something of an ordeal! Our thanks to those parents who came along on the day to ensure a safe passage for students across roads and around construction sites. Thanks, too, to those who manned check points and drink stations.

Gold medals must be awarded to our very own Mrs. Easterbrook and Sports Captain Sandra Gabrael who ran the course and crossed the line in first place. Silver went to Adeline Loubeyre, our visiting exchange student, with the rest of the school coming through for the bronze.

Our thanks to the organising committee for not only organising the walk but also for arranging the fantastic incentive prizes that accompanied the event. Over \$28,000 was raised in what has proved to be a very successful and fun way of fund-raising. Let's make it even better next year!





FOURTH ROW: Nadine Cejka, Krista Limbrey, Alyssa Baker, Anna Wondracz, Katherine Allan,

Melissa Romeo, Adele Tumminello, Erin McCluskey, Julia Calixto, Gemma Noonan.

THIRD ROW: Leah Davison, Ruba Elias, Jessica Wheatley, Elise Hoefsmit, Maddie Rigelsford,

Laura Conway, Alexia Damianakis, Sarah Black, Katherine Bacha, Tara Silsby.

SECOND ROW: Ms V Hatezic, Liah Pessotto, Natasha Gowdie, Patricia Faustino, Angela Allen,

Lucy Fogarty, Sarah Petitto, Anna Mikhaela Garcia, Nadine Koeberler, Mrs A McGuire.

FRONT ROW: Kate Salmon, Alexandra Bates, Kate Clancy, Natasha Gatt, Francesca Calabro,

Chelsey O'Brien, Ashleigh Campbell, Carlina Moait, Claire Broomfield,

Kathleen Moussa.

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FOURTH ROW: Lauren Williams, Elena Trees, Chantelle Handley, Elizabeth Deabill,

Jade-Maree Koekoe, Leitisha Bingham, Kimberley Beencke, Anna Macnaught.

THIRD ROW: Danielle McCrea, Lauren Moran, Christina Knock, Amanda Inch, Karla Duroy,

Christina Liu, Stephanie Spudic, Hayley Portlock, Jocelyn O'Brien, Marian Gilfedder.

SECOND ROW: Mrs K Teulan, Lana Jeavons-Fellows, Emma Grguric, Emelyn Pecar, Gemma Veling,

Emma Pitts, Lisa Jenkins, Anne-Marie Hart, Josslyn Sarkis, Mrs A McGuire.

FRONT ROW: Stephanie Hollis, Sarah Brown, Vanessa Muscat, Alessandra Coyne,

Stephanie Donoghoe, Nicole Micallef, Hannah Janson, Stephanie Ross,

Elizabeth Henry, Rachel Pintado.

00-086 7 Monte Cassino Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair

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FOURTH ROW: Janice Chan, Josephine Takchi, Cathy Ahal, Sarah Cuy, Rachael De Santo,

Jennifer Walton, Andria Tropiano.

THIRD ROW: Kylie Naylor, Melissa Aquilina, Ellyse McGee, Rommeny Stock, Kate Bell,

Renee Laarhoven, Nicole Mifsud-Ellul, Alana Cook, Alison Hale.

SECOND ROW: Mr C Davis, Aimee Skelton, Elise Rampoldi, Mallika De Melo, Rebecca Moss,

Danielle Cook, Rachel Massingham, Caroline Chan, Jennifer Kaldelis, Lisa Dunlop,

Mrs A McGuire.

FRONT ROW: Danielle Bauer, Lauren Kidd, Teresa Paolucci, Amelia Bandiera, Peta Anderson,

Chloe Fitzgerald, Lauren Wilson, Monique O'Callaghan, Ariane Nemorin,

Kate Hargreave, Rebecca Ryan.

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FOURTH ROW: Amanda Costa, Sandra Ryan, Meera Warby, Veronique Gordon, Katherine Lukunic,

Rekha Matthew, Alexandra Lennox, Sarah Teasdale, Michelle Vella.

THIRD ROW: Karina Chow, Julie Hodgkins, Ellen Millar, Rachael Shelton, Daniela Azzopardi,

Sarah Pennetta, Tamara Fahim.

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SECOND ROW: Mr C Davis, Sarah Howcroft, Jena Moussa, Nicole McDonald, Lara McMurray,

Laura Surace, Vanessa Raz, Amy Halim, Mrs A McGuire.

FRONT ROW: Olivia Katsoulis, Yvette Williams, Gabi Brett, Karina Teh, Jasmine Wong, Sarah Friedrich, Liliana Streat, Justine Kissane, Marianne Calacala, Jessica Teulan.

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YEAR 7 REPORT

Year 7 2000 started the year with great excitement and trepidation. 148 of us "freshies" were eased into high school by our caring Year 11 Peer Support leaders and welcoming home room classes.

We thoroughly enjoyed the swimming carnival, and not only swam well but many of us volunteered to help out with marshalling, time keeping and catering. We came out in full force, dressing up in our house colours, masks, hats, makeup and hair sprays!! We even made house banners!

Year 7 camp to Vision Valley was a great success, with Maredsous winning the MSB "Sale of the Century", and 24 items were presented at the talent quest. Didn't the judges have a difficult time!! We enjoyed the "low ropes" and swimming, and some of us capsized our canoes (not really on purpose) and fell into the murky water! Everybody enjoyed the "camp highlights" on video before we left. Thank you, Mr. Hoogenboom.

Year 7 Cake Day dawned bright and sunny on the 25th of May, Term 2. It was a magnificent success as all our cakes were sold. The SRC's were busy selling at the stalls and many other willing helpers set-up and tidied up on the day. Mrs. McGuire was very proud of us!

The Athletics carnival was a great day for Year 7 and we participated in all the events. Special mention must be made of Rekha Mathew who was age champion AND school champion.

Year 7 was divided into three groups and went to three different venues for our first Reflection Day. We all agreed that this opportunity for prayer and reflection gave us a sense of spiritual awareness. We also enjoyed our wide and varied excursions in History, Geography and Science, taking us from mummies and coffins to Rome and Greece, food from the forest and animal diversity at Taronga Zoo.

Many Year 7s were involved in the choir at the Jubilee celebrations that were held at the Superdome. Holli's performance in the gymnastics item made us very proud. We had a high school concert experience when we dressed up as characters from the Wizard of Oz and had great fun singing the Munchkins song in the Performing Arts concert.

The year 2000 has been a rewarding and exciting year for us and we look forward to another, even more exciting one, next year!!

Elena Trees



YEAR 7 VISIT TARONGA ZOO

Ah! What a beautiful day to go to the zoo! Year 7 of Mount St. Benedict College had the best day at Taronga Zoo. We left in the morning and it took just about an hour to get there!

First we went to the SERPENTARIA, where you could hear shrieks every time a snake moved from behind the glass. Then if you were sick of all the yelling and screaming you could go to the quietest part of the zoo, the Koala walkabout. Not one sound could be heard as you walked around the lazy mammals in the Eucalyptus trees.

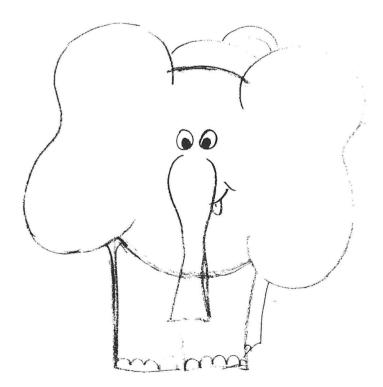
We then moved to the birds, squawking loudly at everyone who walked past. Different colours filled the cages with flashes of red and blue everywhere. After that ear-blasting adventure we quickly moved to the Chimpanzees who were being fed. They were jumping about, grabbing the flying fruit pieces, some even fighting over them. We gradually moved across to the giraffes, which walked from one side to the other, watching the people who walked past.

After that, a group of us went to the Gorilla Park where we watched as two zookeepers fed the hungry apes, tossing vegetables of every kind everywhere. Then the huge black mammals moved out, sitting in the shade to enjoy their meal. Following that interesting experience, our group went to the farmyard and watched the bulky black and white cows being milked and then moved off to watch the bird show. We were early but it was well worth the wait as we watched swooping birds fly over our heads, scared stiff for the fear of getting pecked. Later, after that amazing show, we went to the kiosk to have some lunch. I had a frozen coke, Mmmmm!

We saw the funny seals, even though we didn't see the show, and then we stared quietly at the Kangaroos, remembering to be considerate while they rested in the sun. Then we dawdled across to the elephants that seemed to just stand there in the sun. Then we hurriedly filled in our sheets whilst running towards the gate trying not to miss the bus.

Oh what a great, busy, animal-filled day with noises of all kinds and animals of all shapes, sizes and colours.

Mallika de Melo



YEAR 7 TRIP TO THE ZOO

First we went to Serpentaria
To find out which animal was hairier.
The truth was, none of them were,
They were covered in scales, not a trace of fur.
Tigers roared, monkeys would scream
We were watching them, eating ice cream.
We walked around the zoo for a while
Looking at animals like the crocodile.

Snakes were scary, lions too, We all saw an elephant doing a poo. At 1.40 it was time to go Some of us were feeling quite low.

All in all the day was fun But when I got back I had to Lie in the sun

Alexandra Coyne

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YEAR 12 1999 HIGH ACHIEVERS

Once again our HSC students achieved some remarkable results. The last HSC group of the century consisted of 115 students, led by a team of extremely dedicated teachers. Thirty girls achieved a UAI of 90 or above, continuing the reputation of Mount St Benedict as a College of high educational standard.

The Mount St Benedict College community congratulates the following students and their teachers for these excellent results:

Angela Ho	99.55	Heidi Lam	93.65
Erica Jaros	98.85	Rhonda Karakira	93.60
Belinda Catorall	98.85	Tanya Gomes	93.60
Dimple Limaye	98.50	Clare Woodward	92.85
Megan Touma	97.90	Karen Onley	92.65
Darksha Nadeswaran	97.55	Ursula Traynor	92.45
Janine Elias	97.40	Vivian Hui	92.50
Rebecca Griffin	97.00	Janine Dennis	92.15
Holly Seo	96.70	Renee Davis	92.10
Mary-Louise Cuy	96.70	Katie Lucas	91.80
Marinka Barisic	96.00	Karen Henry	91.15
Fenella Mahoney	95.50	Carla Solomons	91.00
Kate Miller	95.50	Belinda Nakad	90.85
Joanne Hemmings	95.45	Lauren McCunnie	90.65
Paula Ardino	94.25	Anna Calabro	90.35



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



In this great year of **Jubilee** the Mount St Benedict College Religion Department has been involved in some great events and initiatives.

Firstly, we celebrated our **Opening Mass**, welcoming the new Year 7 students and staff with gifts of doves, symbolising peace from all of us.

After a solemn Ash Wednesday ceremony, with beautiful singing from Mrs Louise Jones and Vanessa Vitali, our school embarked on a renewal during Lent involving daily reminders for each Roll Class that focused on prayer, almsgiving and reconciliation.

A special collection was taken up for **Project Compassion**, by each Roll group, and a "Rice Day" was held where bowls of rice were sold at lunchtime to support Project Compassion, and to have empathy with the world's poor in some small way. I am pleased to announce that the school raised \$1,100.00 for Project Compassion. A great effort by all!

The term was rounded off with a marvellous dramatic portrayal of Jesus' Passion and Death by Mrs Earp's Year 9 Drama class. It was very moving

and extremely well prepared and acted, a standard that has set the benchmark for any future attempts at Liturgy.

In Term 2, the Religion Department moved into full swing with the Jubilee Liturgy celebrated at the Homebush Superdome. The whole school was taken by train to Homebush, along with the rest of the Catholic Schools in the Broken Bay Diocese. It was a huge logistics exercise that was well organised by Mrs Comerford. Other teachers assisted greatly with costume preparation, Ms Hatezic and Mr Quinane prepared and sang with our Choir representatives, Mrs Earp backed up (Yet again!) to prepare our dancers for three numbers, and we had two soloists in the singing ensemble, Vanessa Vitali and Linda Rapisarda. Our whole school sang, performed actions, and enjoyed the Liturgy, as Mr Davis and five specially selected students from Years 7-11, carried our specially prepared banner around the stadium. Well done to Mrs Howard and the assisting Art students. I think the whole experience of being together was great, and well worth the preparation and effort.

As a special initiative this year, Mrs Sue Lennox was appointed Social Justice Co-ordinator. This year the school held a wonderful **Social Justice Evening** organised by Mrs Lennox, Emma Hogan and Laura Carlino. Students were invited from our school, and nearby Colleges and High Schools, to take part in a variety of workshops on Social Justice issues. It was designed to raise awareness and involvement within our school of these issues, and it will now be an important part of the school calendar from this year.

The Good Samaritan Outreach Staff Concert in Term 1 was a lot of fun, and the girls who went on the Outreach during the Term 2 holidays were grateful for the experience and learned more about Social Justice and themselves from it. A special collection from the St Vincent De Paul group in Year 11, of shampoo, toothbrushes, toiletries and personal clothing items was very successful. These were gratefully received by the Matthew Talbot Hostel for homeless men, and two other women's refuges.

Mount St Benedict Day (MSB Day) was held at Arcadia this year at the parish centre. Our Mass was celebrated in the morning with Father Jim McKeon as our Presider. We instituted special stewardship awards during this Mass and enjoyed special renditions of the Jubilee Songs liturgically

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danced for us by our Jubilee dancers. Father Jim has been inspirational at the Liturgies he has presided at this year. He has a special rapport with teenagers and his vitality and enthusiasm are quickly transferred to the whole community. Due to the bad weather on MSB Day we moved the Talent Quest back to the school, and enjoyed the wonderful comedic skills of Ms Osborn as MC. The talent among the students was greatly in evidence and these gifts were enjoyed and shared by the school in a very special way on the day.

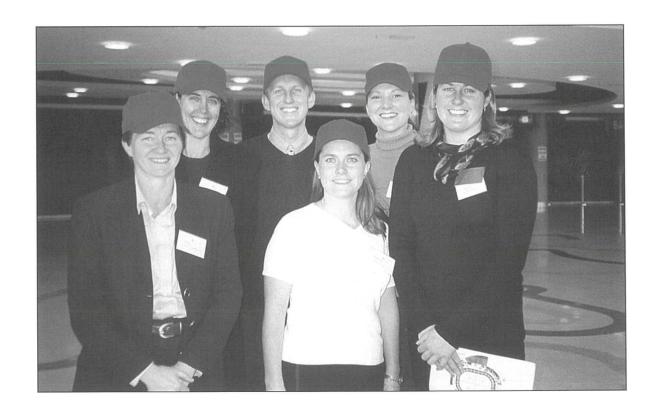
In term 4 we look forward to the Year 12 Graduation, and the end of year Masses for Year 10 and for the whole school on the final day. The **Year 12 Liturgy Committee** has worked very well in preparing and organising liturgies for the whole community. They have shown a fine insight into making liturgy more easily understood and enjoyed

by students while maintaining the necessary reverence and order of things within a Mass. I have enjoyed working with these students this year.

The **Retreat Programme** for the year was terrific. The venues chosen, the staff who volunteered, and the students themselves, all contributed to numerous special spiritual and communal experiences for all. Next year we hope to build even further on this special time in the spiritual life of our students.

My thanks to the **Religion Staff** who have been great in supporting me in my first year as Religion Co-ordinator in the College. They are a committed and well organised team of people whose insights and experience I value.

Brian Loughland



ENGLISH

The year 2000 has been a hectic time of change with the introduction of new Preliminary English Courses and the final experience of Related, General and Contemporary English. At the end of 1999 our students performed creditably in the HSC. The College mean for Contemporary English was 15.12 above the State Mean, General, 9.22, Related, 5.04 and 3 Unit English 5.60 above. Our current Year Eleven students demonstrated a high level of literacy in the School Certificate Examination with 20.89% in Band 6, 47.01% in Band 5 and 21.64% in Band 4. Bands 1 – 3 accounted for the remainder.

We are very proud of all students whose work was submitted in the Sydney Morning Herald Young Writer of the Year Competition. Laura Carlino in Year 11, who was a regional finalist, and Eileen Black and Louise Wallace who were highly commended, are to be specially congratulated.

Our Term One Oratory Competition gave students an opportunity to display their talents. The following students were most impressive: Malika de Melo and Elise Hoefsmit in Year 7, Kate Aubusson and Gemma Murphy in Year 8, Judith Clarke and Belinda Sutton in Year 9, Elizabeth Gulczynski and Amy Wood in Year 10, Laura Carlino, Belinda Knipler, Kathryn Marks and Kathryn Platts-Baggs in Year 11. All spoke well with four students making

it through to the State Finals – Gemma Murphy, Belinda Sutton, Elizabeth Gulczynski and Kathryn Marks.

We have enjoyed a number of theatre excursions this year. Year 12 saw a production of *Othello* at the Bondi Pavilion, Year 11 were rapt in Ruth Cracknell's performance in *Collected Stories* at the Opera House and Year 10 were lucky to attend an advance screening of the movie *Looking for Alibrandi*.

It was after the end of our school year that Mr Peter Ferguson tendered his resignation to take up a position at St Augustine's College at Brookvale. Students have missed him and his cinematographic skills this year. Mrs Elizabeth Dunger who took a number of classes in Term 4 last year returned to the College this year. Our English teachers - Mrs Elizabeth Dunger, Ms Kate Everingham, Ms Lynne Gibson, Mr John Jackson, Mrs Judy Martin, Mrs Sandra Lang, Mrs Penelope Phillips and Mrs Marian Smith have worked tirelessly and are to be congratulated on making English an enjoyable, challenging and fulfilling experience for the students of Mount St Benedict College.

Cassandra Allan



"SO THIS IS MT ST BENEDICT COLLEGE"

Going from St Bernadette's primary school and being the grown ups of the school, to Mt St Benedict College and being the babies all over again has been a very big adjustment for me. Going from "No Hat, No Play" to no hat at all (except for PDHPE), and going from a canteen with very strict health regulations on the type of food they sell, to all the junk food you could imagine, is all to my advantage! – Yuk!

It makes me feel very responsible that I have to look after my own locker and it is a very big change to come from one class to seven periods a day; every day that goes by feels like a week at the moment.

Adjusting to having so many teachers and getting to know all of them is a big learning experience, which I am enjoying very much. Just trying to find my way around the school is very adventurous on its own.

All of the people are so friendly and helpful, I thought it would be so much harder going through this journey. If I am lost, somebody always shows me the way. It is very reassuring to know that I am in such a wonderful environment and a friendly atmosphere.

Coming from primary school and going to high school has been the end of an era for me. It is very exciting just to think when I walk into a classroom that my mother, aunties and all of my cousins are part of the tradition of this school.

I feel proud and privileged to be associated with the teachers and students of a college that has such an excellent reputation.

Tamara Fahim



HUMAN SOCIETY & ITS ENVIRONMENT

This year has been very challenging for both staff & students, particularly for those involved in the introduction of new Preliminary Year courses. Our Legal Studies, Geography, Business Studies and Economics teachers have worked tirelessly on programming and assessments for these courses, and have been rewarded with very positive responses from students.

Excursions play a major role in all HSIE courses, as they provide students with real world experiences of concepts taught in the classroom. This year's Year 7 Geography students visited the local area of West Pennant Hills and the Cumberland State Forest, the Year 8s learnt about wetlands at Bicentennial Park, the Year 9s had a wonderful time at Mount Tomah Botanical Gardens, while our senior Geographers experienced dairying, wetlands and coastal environments in the field. Year 9 Commerce students enjoyed a visit to the Arnotts factory & McDonalds while the Year 10s learnt about our legal system at Parramatta Court. Our senior Business Studies students enjoyed a combined QVB/IMAX Theatre visit, with Economics students learning about markets at the Australian Stock Exchange and the Sydney Fish Markets.

We have had considerable success in a variety of prestigious competitions:

AMP / The Australian - Economics & Business Studies Competition

Credit – Economics Credit – Business Studies

Hannah Vozzo

Reece Theoret

Joanne Saade
Elisa Pirozzi
Jacqueline Hook

Distinction – Business Studies Armaghan Morshedizadeh

Tanya Abraham
Naomi Wyatt

Josephine Mazzacuva
Reese Theoret

Alexis Tully

August English Suzie Hackett

Amy Teasdale

Jennifer Cropper

Joanne Dineen

Kate Freeberg

Laura Goggin

The Australian Geography Competition

High Distinction Credit

Monika Kenig
Nicole Alldis
Erin Davis

DistinctionAmanda KishBernadette DonoghueElise MillerElizabeth LukunicJenny MountfordTanya RaymanasCourtenay Peters

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Annemarie Tripolone Stephanie Rodgers
Rhiannon Stock
Kelly Tullett

Amy Wood

Hazelwoods Legal Studies Prize – Stephanie Dunicliffe

Mr R Barrett

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MATHEMATICS

Seven years ago, THE ANNOUNCEMENT was made, and the planning for the Sydney Olympics started. How exciting it all seemed!!!! And how quickly the intervening years have passed. It is difficult to believe that the time for the Olympic Yearbook report has come. Each year seems to pass more quickly than the one before. The demands on our time seem to increase exponentially as we endeavour to meet the demands of each new year demands that seem greater than those of the previous year.

In the Maths department, however, two events more exciting than the Olympics occurred. Two baby girls were born. To Mrs Sharp - a daughter, Lauren Grace, and a few weeks later, to Mrs Sylvester - a daughter, Alana Grace. Both have visited with their mothers and are beautiful. However, this has meant that these two great teachers have both taken one year's maternity leave. We miss them, but have been fortunate to have Mrs Clark and Miss Park join us to teach their classes.

As has been the custom at Mount St Benedict for many years, each student is entered into a Mathematics competition. The Westpac Australian Mathematics Competition and the Bennies (Mount St Benedict) Mathematics Competition are held simultaneously in early August. Every student who participates in a Maths competition receives a Certificate of Participation or an award. Unfortunately, the results for the current year arrive too late for inclusion in the year book. It is, however, a great pleasure to be able to give you the outstanding results achieved in the 1999 competitions. In the Westpac competition for 1999 2 girls were awarded a High Distinction. Congratulations to Annette Siddle (Year Nine, 1999) and to Yvonne Koblar (Year Eleven, 1999) on this achievement. As well 33 students earned a Distinction and 150 a Credit, whilst in the Bennies competition, certificates of Credit were earned by 30 students. Each student is to be commended for her effort and personal achievement in these competitions.

Each Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon (from 3.30 pm until 4.45 pm), all students have been able to attend the Maths Lab. At Maths Lab, girls can complete Maths homework, catch up on work missed for various reasons and obtain help for Mathematics. This year Mrs Dudley has been involved in the Maths Lab on Tuesdays, whilst Mrs Clark and Miss Park have been involved on alternate Wednesdays.

As the year 2000 draws to a close, we look back on a busy and eventful year. The year started with the news of extremely pleasing HSC results in Mathematics for Year Twelve, 1999. During the year, we finally started to implement the changes to the HSC courses and structure, and the for their changes accompanying assessment. In addition, the outcomes reporting system has been extended to Year Eight, and we have learnt how to use a computerised system for the Seven and Eight reports. This has resulted in a change to the assessment for these years to fit the outcomes based assessment, and this has been extended into all years. It has been difficult to think of achievement in Mathematics in terms of descriptions of achievements in levels rather than in terms of marks, averages and ranks. However, as the year has progressed, we as a Maths staff have become comfortable with this shift in emphasis.

We continue to strive to help each girl to achieve to her potential at this stage in her development. Whilst looking forward to the challenges of 2001, we look back on the Olympic Year 2000 with thanks.

Dr Irene Abbott

LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH

It has been an exciting year for the Language Department. Late last year we applied for, and received a grant of \$3,000 from the AIS to purchase software and some teacher resources for the Language Department. We bought a class set of French and German CD ROMS, to be used by junior and senior students. As the new senior syllabus allows students to dictionaries in the senior examinations, we also purchased class sets of French. German and Japanese dictionaries. The Japanese teachers were successful in their application to the Japanese Government for teaching materials as well.

In December, 1999 a group of 18 Year 11 and 12 students went to Germany on exchange. We travelled for ten days, spent New Year's Eve in Berlin near the Brandenburg Gate, visited Meissen and Dresden, then made our way to Munich. From there we travelled to the Alps where we attended a guided tour of Neuschwanstein Castle. Apart from sightseeing in Munich itself, we visited the former concentration camp at Dachau. After three days in Munich, we took the train to home stay, which was to take place in two cities: Pforzheim for the Year 11 students, and Freiburg for the Year 12 girls. They attended school and visited the surrounding area of the Black Forest. Some students were taken to France, Switzerland and Austria by their host parents. The girls were a credit to our school and we and the parents can be justly proud of them. Mr and Mrs Noney accompanied us during our travelling time, and I am very grateful for their help and support - without them travelling with 18 students would not have been possible.

Next January, a small group of senior French students will go to France as part of a Nacel group, accompanied by Dr King.

This year we had a group of German students visit our school. One group of four students came from Freiburg and spent three weeks in Sydney. Unfortunately, this took place during the Trial HSC examinations, so our Year 12 girls did not have as much time with them as they would have liked. But their parents helped out and showed the visitors around Sydney and its surroundings.

Another group of nine students arrived from Pforzheim, accompanied by a mother. Two of these visitors attended Oakhill College, the other seven stayed at our College. Most of them, however, spent a large part of their stay visiting other parts of Australia. We welcomed our visitors with a picnic day in the Blue Mountains. Fortunately, the weather was excellent for that time of year.

At the same time, we also had a large group of Japanese students visiting the College. They came with their teachers and had English lessons in the mornings, went to normal classes in the afternoons and were billeted by our students. In addition, we have had a number of exchange students here during the year who have been staying for a longer period of time, one from Germany, another from France and two from Japan.

While these exchanges put a strain on the school, especially when so many arrive at once, I believe it is a very worthwhile experience for young people to live in another country. It increases awareness of the differences and similarities of life styles, attitudes and customs, teaches tolerance of those customs and habits that are different, and contributes to the understanding between peoples.

In June, the Year 9 German class attended a language and culture day at NSW University that they enjoyed very much. All language students in Years 9 and 11, and the Japanese Year 8 students participated in the Language Certificate tests in early August. Unfortunately, the results of these tests won't be available until October. Also in August, we had a language afternoon for all Year 8 students. We started with a lunch consisting of Japanese, German and French food, then

divided into language groups for other activities. A big thank you to the language teachers and the Macquarie University students for their help on the day.

The Year 10 Japanese class enjoyed a day of culture, the Year 10 German class tasted a German breakfast and the Year 8 classes will have a farewell with appropriate ethnic food before the end of the year. In fact, most of our classes will have tasted some food from the country whose language they are studying and will also have had some celebrations.

Ingelore Györy



PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH and PHYSICAL EDUCATION

2000 has proven to be another busy and exciting year in the PD.H.PE department. We welcomed Miss Naomi Goodwin, our new member of staff who embraced the role of Sports Co-ordinator with energy and enthusiasm, coupled with very entertaining motivational messages at assemblies! We are also lucky to have the returning services of Mrs Rebecca Lewis, who replaced Mrs Karen Grant who is on leave after the birth of her daughter, Cassidy.

This Olympic year has provided much inspiration on the sporting front, and has also formed part of the curriculum for Year 7. Their unit of study was complemented with a visit to the Paralympics during term 4. As part of our support of the Heart Foundation, Year 7 also participated in 'Jump Rope for Heart' to complement their unit of study on Active Lifestyle. Year 8 attended a swim school at Hornsby Pool during term 4 to improve their water safety skills.

During 2000, Year 9 attended a three day Outdoor Education camp to Camp Somerset at Colo, after completing a unit of study on the Great Outdoors. This was the first group to attend this style of camp and it proved to be very successful. The girls spent one night in base camp and another night in a bivouac campsite, getting back to nature! It was an activity packed three days, which everyone really enjoyed. The participated in a number of challenging activities, including the obstacle course, rock climbing and a high ropes course. Perhaps the most challenging activity was trying to find your way through the dark, freezing cold 'wombat hole'! Miss Everingham had a particular skill for this activity, diving in head first to lead the way! At night we cooked marshmallows over the camp fire and played singing games (which the teachers won on the first night, of course!). Thank you to the brave staff who accompanied the students on this camp.

Year 10 had an excellent self-protection workshop experience during term 1, which taught them some practical skills using a combination of psychology and physical ability. The Year 9 and 10 girls also enjoyed the expertise of some professional dance instruction as well as the opportunity to experience some of their practical PD.H.PE activities in community venues. Once again, Year 10 also gained exposure to some beach culture and practised newly developed surf skills during their excursion to Warriewood Beach during term 4.

Year 11 commenced the new stage 6 PD.H.PE course this year, embracing it with enthusiasm. It has proven to be much more practical and has promoted higher levels of critical inquiry than the previous course. Extra option choices have also made it more interesting. Year 12 have been working towards a rewarding H.S.C result and supplemented their studies with a visit to Sydney University where they examined resistance training methods and visited the pathology museum, a fascinating collection of specimens highlighting the importance of leading a healthy lifestyle to avoid certain diseases.

Finally, I would like to thank the staff in the PD.H.PE department, Miss Goodwin, Mrs Ingram, Mrs Rowland and Mrs Lewis, for their exceptionally hard work both with curricula and extra-curricula activities. We wish Mrs Ingram the very best in her new role as 'super mum' and welcome Ms Lineham, who replaces her while she is on leave. Thank you also to the many students who involved themselves so enthusiastically in the range of educational opportunities offered to them. As always, it is a pleasure to take the Mount St Benedict girls on excursions and to community venues, as the feedback is always so overwhelmingly positive. It has been a great start to the millennium!

Ms M Daley

SCIENCE

This year has been very different for both students and teachers as everyone experienced changes in topics and assessment from Year 7 to 12. Other things did remain much the same.

All Year 7 visited the Zoo to experience lunchtime for chimpanzees and gorillas, bird training and the slithery feel of snakes. Year 12 Biology visited the Aquarium, the Cactus Garden and the Tropical Pyramid, and Year 12 Physics spent a day of experience and calculation at Australia's Wonderland. Students in Year 8 sent off six hundred and fifty trees to the Greenhouse Parks Program and took part in Planting Day at Windsor. Year 9 took part in Streamwatch. The stream at Hull Road continues to be only mildly polluted, while tests on the school stream showed that no pollutants are entering it from the school.

This year Stephanie Rodgers and Kristine Travers from Year 9 took part in the Siemens Science Experience, and Year 11 Biology student, Sarah Caruana, worked with a scientist in the CSIRO Student Scheme.

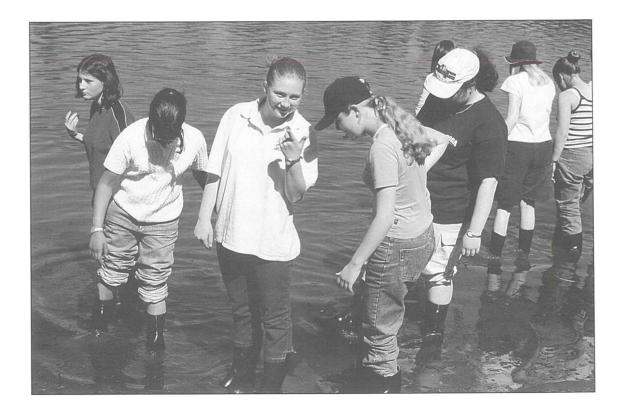
In June two teams of Chemistry students entered the

Royal Australian Chemical Institute's Titration Competition, coached by Mrs Easterbrook. Year 12 students Marisol Cincunegui, Grace Chuck and Ruth O'Connor won Merit Awards and were placed third. Year 11 students Rebecca Kidd, Julia Kidd and Sarah Caruana also won Merit Awards and were placed fourth. Well done titration team and coach!

This year we received a grant of \$3,500 from the Lane Cove Catchment Management Trust and Hornsby Council. This has enabled Year 11 Biology and Year 7 students to sample invertebrates in the endangered Blue Gum High Forest behind the school buildings. This is part of a research project to discover the species of animals living there. All the tiny animals were photographed at the university to produce a CD ROM for future reference.

On Astronomy Night this year, Year 8 had a clear night (unlike previous years) and everyone was able to see the moon, a globular cluster and a red giant about to explode – sometime in the next ten thousand years!

Susan Millar



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LIBRARY



This year has been another "steep learning curve" for library staff as technology adds a greater dimension to the resource collection.

All our computer terminals now have Internet access and many CD ROM applications, and are in constant use by students. We strive to balance the electronic information sources with print by including as much current and attractively presented book material as possible, and by encouraging the girls to use a range of multimedia in their research.

A class set of laptop computers was purchased this year and is managed in the library. They are used constantly across all KLA's and also by individual seniors in their study periods.

We have also added a digital black and white photocopier to our resources and the students can print from the library computers to this machine, or they can photocopy, either way the quality of reproduction is excellent and we hope to add a colour copier shortly as well.

Ex-student and well known author Sophie Masson was an entertaining and interesting guest speaker for Years 7 and 8 students in Children's Book Week. Other popular activities included a wonderful story telling session by Mrs Carmel Kelleher and a creative book cover display by students.

The year 2000 has certainly been a challenge in the information explosion and we expect to face even more in 2001.

Adrienne Gorme



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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Information Technology continues its integration into the curriculum at Mount Saint Benedict College in 2000.

In March the Parents and Friends donated \$90,000 towards a class set of laptops for the students. Students have been using these laptops in all areas of curriculum. The purchase of the laptops has eased the difficulty in accessing the three Computer Rooms.

The College installed new file servers in the Easter Holidays and the students now log into the network with their name and password. This allows them their own home directory to save their work and a shared saved area for each year group. In Term 4 students have access to College Intranet and Email.

The College has purchased six new scanners and printers that are being appropriately used in all areas of work by the students. Two digital cameras have been well received by the girls. Year 10 produced some exciting photos and web pages in Computer Studies.

The Art Department installed an Imac computer with a digital video camera. Students can now film, edit and produce their own movies with sound track.

In Term 3, the Science Department moved towards technology in the curriculum area and have installed five networked computers, a printer and scanner into Science Lab 3.

With the help of the new scanners, digital camera and coloured printers, Year 7 produced some amazing children's books in Technology and Design. A sample of these was displayed and was well received at the Parents and Friends meeting in June.

Lunchtimes are standing room only in the computer rooms as the network grounds to a go-slow with all the Internet traffic caused by the girls accessing the World Wide Web. All school work of course!

> Anne Hamilton IT Manager



TECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED STUDIES

The year 2000 has seen many changes in the Technological and Applied Studies Key Learning Area. We have a number of new staff in the faculty; our Year 11 Preliminary students are working through the new senior syllabus and our junior students are enjoying some revised units of work.

We have welcomed, Mrs Dirckze, Ms Tulevski, Ms Hermens (in Term 1) and Mrs Gadiel to the TAS teaching team to replace Mrs Weihen and Mrs Vellani who are on maternity leave, and Mrs Amys who is taking a year's leave.

Our Year 12 students have been busy preparing for their HSC in a year cut short by the Olympics. This has involved a substantial amount of effort by both students and teachers in all TAS subject areas – one of the most visible of these being the Design and Technology major design projects which had to be completed two weeks earlier than usual! Congratulations go to Natalie Ottolina whose DT major work consisting of a range of protective pet grooming wear has been nominated for the 2001 Design Tech exhibition.

The new senior courses in Design and Technology, Food Technology, Community and Family Studies, Tourism/Hospitality and Information Processes and Technology have been well received by the Year 11 students who are enjoying some of the new topic areas and teaching /learning approaches.

Year 9 and 10 Design and Technology students have been honing their design and practical skills with a range of projects including active sportswear, toys and souvenirs, lingerie, storage systems and creative timepiece design.

Year 9 and 10 Food Technology students have enjoyed a combination of theory and food preparation activities relating to areas such as nutrition, Australian cuisine, cultural issues and food as a small business. A highlight for Year 9 was the visit by Allan, the Kullanteenees Bush Tucker Man and 'live friends'. Not to be outdone, the Year 10 excursion to Sydney Tower Restaurant gave students a valuable insight into the 'behind the scenes' of a high profile commercial restaurant (plus a great meal at the end!)

Year 7 and 8 Design and Technology students have been involved in many learning experiences aimed at developing a diverse range of skills and techniques in their mandatory course. New units of study include Communications using computer technology (a children's ABC book) and Clothing and Accessories (boxer shorts).

At this point, special mention must be made of the invaluable contribution by Mrs. Hinds, our food preparation assistant. She has taken much care to ensure that provisions for our wide range of food practical classes (e.g. DT, Food Technology and Hospitality) are always ready for the girls. Without her help things would not run quite so smoothly!

Year 9 and 10 Computing Studies continues to be popular with the students, who are developing their skills in areas such as word processing, graphics, database, spreadsheets, programming and web page design. Some excellent Powerpoint presentations have been created by Year 9 using a combination of some of these skills, and Year 10 students have become 'experts' in programming.

One of the features of the whole TAS Key Learning Area is the integrated use of computers across most subject areas. In this context we have benefited from the expertise and support of the school's new Information Technology Administrator, Mrs Hamilton who has contributed greatly to the reliability of the school's computer network. Of great value has been the school's class set of laptop computers that has allowed us to extend the use of computers outside of the existing computer rooms.

My thanks go to all of the enthusiastic TAS staff for their efforts during a very challenging year, resulting in many successes achieved by our students throughout the entire TAS area.

Mrs Christine Hunter



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PERFORMING ARTS

The year 2000. We suspected we would have an exciting and fantastic start to the new century. What actually happened far surpassed our expectations. Jubilee, Olympics, Pacific Games, Football Grand Final, Performing Arts Concerts, Music and Drama nights – highlight after highlight. It certainly made for a busy rehearsal and performance schedule, not to mention a fun year.

This year we saw a change of line-up in the Performing Arts staff. Congratulations to Mrs Stennett on the birth of her baby, Hamish. We are sure that she has enjoyed her year's maternity leave. We welcomed Mrs Earp, who has taught Dance and Drama this year, as well as directing our girls through a series of high profile performances, including the opening ceremonies of the Pacific School Games and the Olympic Games. We would like to thank Mrs Earp for all of the weekends and evenings she has spent working with our girls. It is greatly appreciated.

This year the Parents and Friends Association very kindly donated a grand piano to the students of the College. The piano is a seven foot Kawai (that's big!), is black (of course) and sounds absolutely beautiful. Thank you to the P & F for the very generous donation. It will certainly add a sense of grandeur to all future performances and formal assemblies at the College. This is a gift that will be enjoyed by students for generations to come.

The Year 9 Drama class presented a moving reenactment of the Crucifixion for the Easter liturgy. Using mime and music, the girls created real ambiance, and filled the hall with a sense of reverence. Their energy was mesmerizing, compelling all people in the hall to remain absolutely and totally focused on the drama. It was a commendable performance for such a young group.

The Pacific School Games provided an insight into what was yet to be experienced in September. After auditioning in 1999, the dancers remained committed to their role and represented the College with great pride and enthusiasm. Thank you to the College community for assistance in fund raising for the event. Shortly afterwards, rehearsals commenced for our dancers and choir for the

Jubilee Celebration. The dancers were involved in three items, the choir in many more, and due to their tremendous performance, have been invited to perform at other events staged by the production company "Out There Productions". Two of our students, Vanessa Vitali and Linda Rapisarda featured as soloists, and sang beautifully at the Superdome in front of a crowd of 20,000. In the lead up to Jubilee, our performers had the privilege of meeting Mrs Bonita Mabo and Mr John Williamson for a chat, sing-along and publicity photo shoot.

And, as if all of that wasn't enough, we then launched straight into our first Performing Arts Concerts for the new century. Our students took us on a journey into the sea, into graveyards, down to Kansas and the Land of Oz, a stint with the army, on a search for toilet paper, to flower power and disco fever, the Roaring Twenties, a visit to see Rodin's sculptures and back to the Crucifix. They were evenings filled with innovation and talent – once again an enjoyable and valuable experience for our students.

On August 27, the Choir and Senior Dance Ensemble descended upon the Waterfront Estate (sounds great, doesn't it?) and Stadium Australia to perform at the NRL Grand Final. Once again "Out There Productions" was impressed with the amount of enthusiasm, dedication and maturity exhibited by the girls.

This year, our girls have put a lot of time and effort into the Choir, Junior and Senior Vocal Ensembles, the Flute Ensemble, the Band, and the Junior and Senior Dance Ensembles. Their high standard was exhibited at the performing Arts Concerts, the Ryde Eisteddfod and the other performances throughout the year. We would like to acknowledge all of the hard work these girls have contributed, especially in attending lunchtime and after school rehearsals.

It has been a busy but rewarding year, full of spectacular events, which will no doubt leave us with happy memories for a long time to come. See you next year!

Ms Vesna Hatezic

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CREATIVE ARTS

If you find yourself admiring the girls' Major Works, whether in Drama, Dance, Music or Visual Arts, give some thought to the arduous chore it can be, for both students and teachers, to produce the final product. Many hours of careful planning and creativity go into shaping a 'masterpiece'. Engaging the audience is a difficult task indeed. After coordinating Creative Arts for many years now, I cannot emphasise enough the necessity for students of a subject with a high practical component, to plan and use time management skills so as to enjoy the process from beginning to end. All too often girls create their own stress by leaving things to the last minute.

VISUAL ARTS

Year 10 have won the admiration of many students in 2000 with their 'funky' retro paintings. Elements of optical patterns and psychedelic colours reminiscent of the swinging 60's, combined with talent and skill are evident in these terrific abstracts.

Photography students from Years 9-12 have produced some dramatic monochrome images based on many different aspects of their lives.

Both Yr 9 art classes have experimented with painting, printing and sculptural techniques throughout the year. The results are delightful and the student willingness to succeed will hold them in good stead if they wish to elect the subject in senior years.

Still feeling their way, Years 7 and 8 have been introduced to every conceivable media from sculpture to computer graphics. I am surprised at their confidence. Every day it seems a girl will teach me a thing or two about computer graphics. I guess that is what learning is all about!

Nowadays there is an exciting feeling of change in the air with the new HSC course about to begin. The major works will be replaced with a Body of Work. Planning from the start is essential. A well thought out blueprint, allowing time for research, analysis and making is essential so as to eliminate last minute anxiety.

This year's HSC students selected their initial influences from the environment and personal experiences. Creative wearables, an erupting volcano, marine themes and chillies of all things, adorn these exceptional costumes. Evidence of many hours of making can be seen in these and other surprising works of art.

Some girls have looked to the local environment to render images that are exceptionally detailed and not only reveal their talent but also their sense of humour. Others have reflected on their spiritual beliefs, looking toward religions of the world for inspiration.

Whatever the outcome I'm sure the students have valued the experience of making their major work. I wish them well for their examinations and the future.

Willing and enthusiastic teachers must facilitate making, performing and appreciating the arts. I would like to thank all the creative arts staff, and our hard working assistant, for their fantastic support this year.

Special thanks to Mrs Vanessa Earp who replaced Mrs Stennett while she is on maternity leave. Vanessa's outstanding dedication to educating our girls and fostering their creativity is to be commended. We wish her the best for her future endeavours. We will miss her very much.

Mrs Bronwyn Ward









YEAR 8

This year has been full of memorable moments and lasting friendships. We were no longer the young Year Sevens of the school, which meant that we couldn't use the excuse 'we didn't know any better' whenever we got in trouble!

Year 8 Reflection Day was a chance to get to know each other better, and appreciate everybody's unique and special talents. It also gave some of us the chance to walk to the local park and "relive our childhood" on the children's play equipment!

English With some wonderful performances and a visit from a famous author, Sophie Masson during Book Week, we soon all caught the reading bug. Our Geography excursion to the mangrove swamps at Bicentennial Park opened up our eyes to the wonderful environment around us. but highlight of our day was when we were allowed to play in the park after lunch – yippee! In term three, it was time to slip on those dancing shoes for our jazz dance performance. After endless practising, all girls who took part put on a great show.

Every year, Year 8 takes part in a 'Hush-A-Thon' to raise money for the people from the island of Kiribati. Yes, the title says it all – seven hours of no talking at all in class: a teacher's dream and a student's nightmare. However, all that lip-zipping paid off, with our grade raising more money this year than any other Year 8 before us.

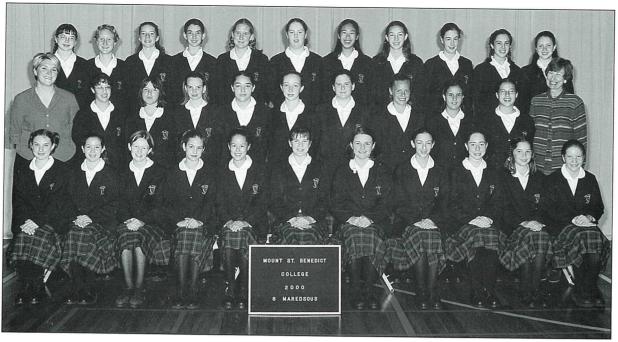
Although deciding what to wear to the Oakhill dance proved to be a problem, more so was the question of what to dress up as for Medieval Day, where we all donned clothes to suit the medieval time period. We're very thankful now for the invention of modern clothing — who knows how long we could have lasted wearing those elaborate long dresses. Brass rubbings and a huge feast made the event a day to remember.

With the end of Year 8 came the question on every student's mind: what electives would we choose for next year? After a lot of thought and nail-biting, we finally made our decisions.

Of course, all great circuses need a ring-leader, and who could be more motivated and enthusiastic than Mrs. Davis. With her endless ideas and very broad grin, she was always there to support us no matter what. Mrs. Davis, thank you so much for all the hard work you've put in this year - we'll never forget you.

As we farewell Year 8, it's hard to believe how quickly the year has gone. We look forward to Year 9, full of new challenges, fun, and the love and support that is always present amongst Bennies girls.

Christine Croucher and Christine Ernst.



THIRD ROW: Kate Giumelli, Grace Spurr, Alexandra Holden, Anita Russo, Isobel Spurr,

Nicola Walter, Stephanie Yu, Jasmine Bujdoso, Annette Carr-Boyd, Arielle Gerace,

Francine Gelonesi.

SECOND ROW: Ms L Tulevski, Marcella Germanos, Marisol Iacullo, Nicole Gibbeson,

Michelle Davoren, Penelope Sandercock, Philippa Browne, Jemma Cornius,

Elizabeth Gittany, Nathalie Shelhot, Mrs D Davis. FRONT ROW:

Vanessa Giovenco, Laura Raiss, Emma Reading, Grace Smith, Rebecca Shelton,

Maree Sigmun, Erin Casey, Ashlea Roach, Danielle Smith, Blanche Griffin,

Lucy Carpenter.

00-086 8 Maredsous Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair



FOURTH ROW: Eva Bohun, Paula Ford, Bethany Pocock, Christine Ernst, Laura Dundovic,

Claudia Potter, Emma Fayyad, Danielle Campanella. THIRD ROW:

Jessica Presti, Tamara Freeburn, Rachael White, Zoe Hogan, Ashleigh Weaver,

Rosemary Pullen, Stephanie Foxton, Renee Riitano, Emma Raynor.

SECOND ROW: Mrs K Ingram, Larissa Duff, Emma Pratt, Emma Vallely, Angela Kenny, Sonia Train,

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Jacquii Breen, Karen Habkouk, Mrs D Davis. FRONT ROW:

Enza Mauceri, Nicola Wilkinson, Melanie Chen, Suzanne Stott, Julie Purvis, Chloe Duroy, Jessica Vallejo, Jessica Pulis, Ainslee Portlock, Amanda Hargreaves. 8 Monte Cassino

Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair

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THIRD ROW: Kate Henderson, Caitlin Luther, Tanya Hallal, Kimberley Chiodo,

Jacqui Zanetic, Charlotte Brady, Sarah Kennelly, Liz Arnott, Lyndal Cigana,

Renee Basile, Emma Clear.

SECOND ROW: Mrs V Comerford, Rachael Friery, Sarah Moujalli, Ashlee Supierz,

Christine Croucher, Michelle Berger, Kate Aubusson, Vanessa Daidone,

Charlotte Arida, Rochelle Bandiera, Mrs D Davis.

FRONT ROW: Emily Stone, Adair Hyde, Samantha Adam, Stephanie Miller, Lisa Martin,

Danielle Doughty, Maree Anderson, Lucy Churchill, Catherine McMahon,

Jessica Mutton, Lisa Robinson.

00-086 8 Subiaco Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair



FOURTH ROW: Sophie Hession, Tai-Lei Benson, Nicola Hassarati, Corrinne Walsh,

Jennelle Schroder, Joanne Mahony, Kate Howcroft, Christine Keenan,

Tanya Lanycia, Sarah Waldron.

THIRD ROW: Kate Loxton, Bernadette Box, Sarah Herring, Louise Wallace, Amie Hourigan, Sarah Collins, Nykita Johnston, Sofia Khan, Carleen Isley.

Mrs M Rowland, Jessica Donnelly, Anncilla Gunasingam, Bethany Teulan, Erin Malcomson, Melinda Pedavoli, Hanna Chiha, Sheldon Howse, Stefanie Naylor,

Amy Larkin, Mrs D Davis.

SECOND ROW:

FRONT ROW: Krystle Catanzaro, Rebecca Jackson, Elise Bottle, Elisa Decourcy, Belynda Wooler,

Jaclyn Minogue, Lauren Hardman, Sarni Strachan, Gemma Murphy.

00-086 8 Terracina Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair

YEAR SEVEN 1999

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE

SEMESTER TWO 1999

RELIGION

Louise Wallace Charlotte Brady Christine Ernst

Tamara Freeburn Jessica Donnelly

ENGLISH

Zoe Hogan Christine Ernst Marcella Germanos Angela Kenny Anita Russo

MATHEMATICS

Christine Croucher Christine Ernst Rachel Friery Bethany Teulan Alice Staciwa Stephanie Yu

SCIENCE

Christine Ernst Zoe Hogan Emma Clear Angela Kenny Christine Croucher

HISTORY

Sarah Herring Christine Ernst Sophia Hession Charlotte Brady Jasmine Budjoso

GEOGRAPHY

Belinda Jurd Louise Wallace Angela Kenny Rachael Friery Christine Ernst Bethany Teulan Jessica Donnelly

LANGUAGES

Christine Ernst French Jasmine Budjoso Ashlea Roach Charlotte Brady Angela Kenny

Penelope Sandercock

Angela Kenny German

> Lisa Robinson Rebecca Jackson Penelope Sandercock Christine Ernst Ashlea Roach Alice Staciwa Emma Raynor Melinda Pedavoli

Japanese

Christine Ernst Melanie Chen

Penelope Sandercock Angela Kenny

DESIGN and TECHNOLOGY

Tamara Freeburn Angela Kenny Belinda Jurd Christine Ernst Melinda Pedavoli Bethany Teulan Jessica Donnelly

PD H PE

Christine Ernst Tamara Freeburn Jessica Donnelly Rachel Friery Belinda Jurd Bethany Teulan

CREATIVE ARTS

Visual Art Tamara Freeburn Isobel Spurr Charlotte Brady Belinda Jurd Jessica Donnelly Emma Clear Sarah Collins Music Erin Casey

Jenelle Schroder Bethany Teulan Angela Kenny Nicola Wilkinson Rachel Friery



PERFECT!

Her hair was like a lit match.

Not one that had been burning for a long time, but one just struck, alive and fiery.

She towered over us, long and flamboyant.

Her arms stretched upwards and outwards, almost, it seemed, touching the roof and walls.

The grotesque bright greens and reds danced about her body, though somehow... strangely fitting.

No other clothes would match this bubbling woman.

They melded with her neat, thick make-up, illuminating her ever-changing expressions.

Her voice filled every corner of the room, even the little moth holes – abandoned because of the noise.

Rumours of her glass eye mouth-surfed the room, whispers, placing bets and exchanging various other myths.

Her two eyes sparkled obliviously, reflecting the springtime sunbeams from the outside world.

A huge mesh of keys tugged at her crooked kilt, jingling happily as she sprang about the room.

She bounded around in jovial performance, resembling a recently oiled pogo-stick.

She grabbed an unsuspecting victim here and there, dragging her to the front for a teaching method.

Often it was little Jenny-May who became part of the demonstration, a cold front tossed about by warm frontal winds, a volcano erupting, a colliding tectonic plate.

The room giggled under diaries and jumpers, unbeknown to the pogo-stick.

Every child in the room stared at this woman, scarcely daring to blink.

They followed every single movement, every flinch.

They followed each demonstration with confused delight, giggling in adoration and uncertainty.

She was perfect – her way.

Alex Engel Yr 10



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MOCK TRIAL



This year the Mount St Benedict Mock Trial team again took part in the Mock Trial Competition, organised by the Law Society of New South Wales.

We began the season with a practice round against ourselves, then against schools such as Ravenswood Girls, James Ruse Agricultural High School and Riverside Girls School. During that time we developed our skills in the courtroom and gained a greater knowledge of courtroom procedures. Some cases that were fought included "Goods in Custody", "Dangerous Driving Occasioning Death", "Fraudulent Misappropriation of Monies Collected or Received" and "Malicious Wounding With Intent To Inflict Grievous Bodily Harm". After losing to Ravenswood Girls and James Ruse, we had a very successful win against Riverside Girls when their defendant confessed to the crime, winning us the case and the Mock Trial!

Congratulations to our witnesses Marianne Trees, Katie Marks, Ashleigh Grice, Sarah Snelgrove and Katherine Trees for their convincing recital of statements and their strength to survive the cross examination. Recognition must go to Catherine Johnson, our solicitor, for her hard work and effort put into assisting our barristers, Kate Thomson, Gabrielle Craig, Alexandra Craig and Belinda Lee. Diane Butfield and Katherine Trees took their turn as Court officials and Magistrates clerks.

Without the help and support of Mrs Kelleher, we would not have experienced such an enjoyable and exciting Mock Trial season. Similar thanks must be given to Mr Snelgrove, our barrister coach, for teaching us all we needed to know about the courtroom, from the very basic of mens rea and actus rea. Thanks and congratulations to all, and we look forward to another successful season in 2001.

Belinda Lee

DEBATING

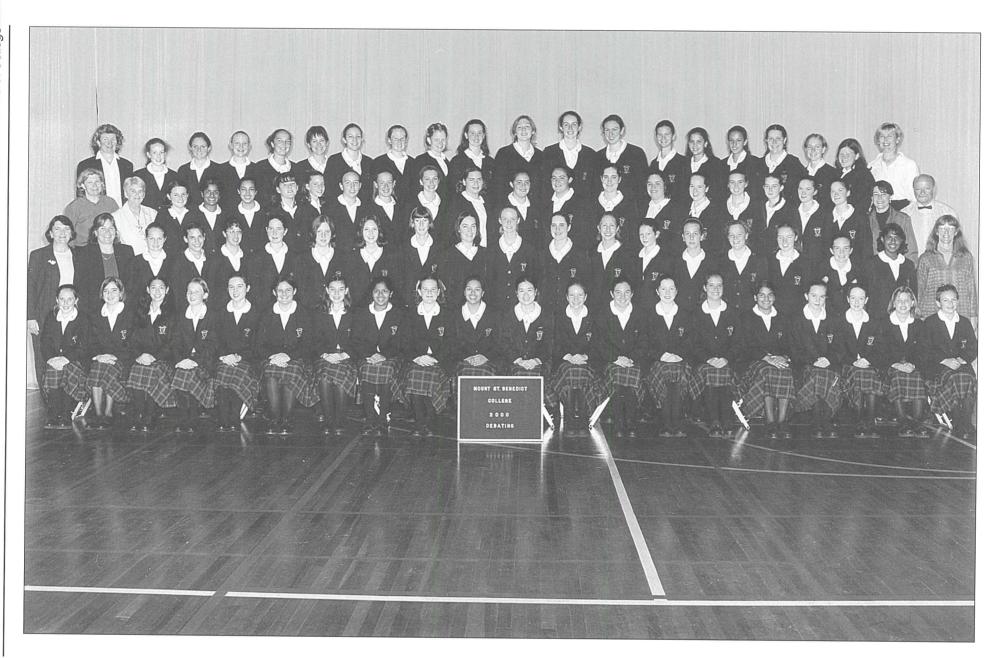
Once again, the staff room was flavoured with anticipation, nerves and excitement, decorated with palm cards, dictionaries and Tim Tams. The debating season had commenced. A social debate against St. Ignatius College, Riverview got the ball rolling with the topic "Complacency is the eighth deadly sin". This proved to be great practice for the upcoming competition.

After tackling Friday night traffic yet again, we headed off to Marist College, Chatswood, which marked the first of the six C.S.D.A debates. Throughout the season the lunchroom transformed into a mini pizza hut for girls who stayed back after school, with the buzz of BTN and the five o'clock news echoing in the background. We battled topics such as "The media should have a better sense of social justice", "That it is the Australian man who needs liberating", and "The information superhighway needs more traffic lights", against schools including, O.L.M.C, Monte St. Angelo and Brigidine College.

Overall the season proved to be a great success with all of the debating teams speaking extremely well with the 7As, 8Bs, 10Bs and Senior Red teams making it through to the next round. A special thank you to Mrs. O'Loan and Mrs. Kelleher whose tireless efforts and dedication helped to make this season enjoyable for all involved. A further thank you to all the debating coaches, teachers, parents and supporters whose time and effort has been greatly appreciated.

Alexandra Craig, Gabrielle Craig, Belinda Lee and Sarah Snelgrove

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TOURNAMENT OF MINDS

Five weeks of fun, laughter, script-writing, and prop-making. Two teams presenting wonderful performances for their long-term problems, and working well together in the short-term problem solving. The hugs and laughter when it was announced that the Social Science team had won their division and would represent the North Sydney district at the State Final. That's what Tournament of Minds is all about.

Two teams of seven girls from Years 7-9 were selected to partake in the competition, and entered two different divisions. Five weeks later, we had to dramatise and act out the solution to our problem in front of a large audience at Macquarie University.

At the State Final, the Social Science team was given three hours to prepare an answer to a problem, write the script, create the props and practise. In their solution, they portrayed a crew

of pirates faced with an unusual problem. With the help of a magic oyster and a little courage, they were able to overcome it. They also completed another spontaneous problem, answering the question, 'What is millogling?' After all the performances were complete, it was time for the final presentation, and no camera could capture the joy and excitement they felt when it was announced that they'd won, and would represent all of NSW at the national final! Clutching their gold medals with pride, they couldn't wait to break the news to Mrs. Sinclair the next morning.

We would like to thank Mrs Howard and Mrs Smith for their enormous support (not to mention the numerous chocolate cakes and biscuits they baked for us), and we're looking forward to another challenge next year.

Christine Ernst



ORATORY

The high standard of public speaking at the College that has been built and fostered over many years has continued throughout 2000.

Every student from Year 7 through to Year 11 began by giving a speech in her English class. The best speakers proceeded to a year final, from which the winners of the school competition were decided. These speakers then went on to represent the College in the Catholic Schools Public Speaking Competition. This year's representatives were Mallika De Melo and Elise Hoefsmit (Year 7), Kate Aubusson and Gemma Murphy (Year 8), Judith Clarke and Belinda Sutton (Year 9), Elizabeth Gulczynski and Amy Wood (Year 10), Laura Carlino, Belinda Knipler, Kathryn Marks and Kathryn Platts-Baggs (Year 11).

There are 3 knockout rounds in the competition which culminate in the State Final. This year the competition began with nearly 1,000 speakers from 89 schools. The finals are made up of the 12 best speakers in each year group. Four of our girls, Gemma, Belinda, Elizabeth and Kathryn Marks made it through to that final. Although unplaced, they all brought great credit to themselves and the College. Their achievement in reaching the final made us one of only a handful of schools with multiple representatives.

Congratulations to all participants on another successful year of public speaking!

Mrs P Phillips
Public Speaking Co-ordinaotr



DANCE ENSEMBLE

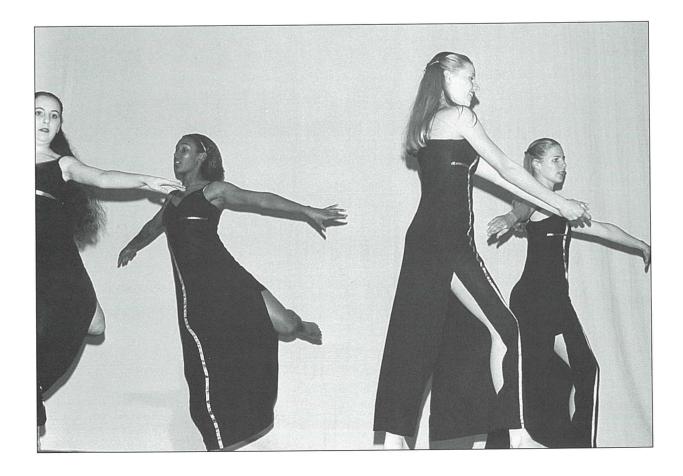
Anyone involved in either of the Dance Ensembles this year would have to agree that we have all had a great time. It was exciting learning a new style of contemporary dance with our new teacher, Mrs Earp, who choreographed two original and very creative dances that were performed at the Performing Arts Concert by the Junior and Senior Dance Ensembles.

The Junior Dance Ensemble consisted of girls in Years seven and eight who had a great time learning new dance skills and improving old ones. They rehearsed every Monday afternoon with excitement building up as the 'big night' approached. They were proud performers, enjoying their time on stage, but overall, and most importantly, the girls have had fun and are looking forward to next year.

Auditions needed to be held for the Senior Dance Ensemble due to the number of girls that wanted to be involved. Twelve girls were chosen from Years nine, ten and eleven and devoted every Wednesday afternoon to practice and rehearsal. We also came to school for two days in the winter holidays, to ensure we would be at our best to perform at the Performing Arts Concert. The dance performed by this group had a difficult and challenging style, which maintained our interest throughout, encouraging us to learn and improve. We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves the whole year and the group proved to be a great success on both nights. A feeling of achievement and enjoyment was had by all.

A very special thank you must go to our legendary teacher, Mrs Earp, for her dedication and enthusiasm throughout the entire year, and her willingness to give up part of her holidays to rehearse the seniors. She has been an inspiration to us all and her efforts are greatly appreciated.

Nicole Inch



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ST VINCENT DE PAUL

As president of the Mount St Benedict Chapter I have been amazed by the involvement and enthusiasm shown this year by the girls of Vinnies. This started prior to St Patrick's Day, when a group of girls managed to produce hundreds of green toffees and ribbons, almost overnight which were sold at recess to raise funds for the St Vincent de Paul Society.

Whilst on Ministry Outreach, I had the opportunity to see the effects of the work of last year's Vinnies group at Claymore Children's Centre, near Campbelltown.

Throughout term 3 we held hot chocolate mornings, which were extremely successful.

We have gone through countless tins of Milo, bags marshmallows packets of styrofoam cups, anxious to warm hundreds of cold Bennies bodies each Tuesday and Thursday morning. We made an unexpected profit of \$40 - \$50 each morning. I would like to thank all the girls who became a part of our infamous production line, and who happily spent their mornings providing this service.

This year we have found within our team many individuals with different talents, and I have watched so many of them shine. Whether it be making toffees, doing PR assemblies, serving hot chocolate, organising the upcoming Year 8/9 dance or having the courage to put forward ideas at meetings, our team proved to be an eclectic and enthusiastic one.

Firstly, I would like to thank the executive of the committee who supported me in so many ways during the year. Thank you for sharing all of your ideas and your wonderful organisational skills. A huge thank you must go to Mrs Lennox, who has been invaluable throughout the year, and who has been there to support and guide us as a team. Thanks for pointing us in the right direction!

I have thoroughly enjoyed being a part of Vinnies this year. I hope that the St Vincent de Paul Chapter of 2001 enjoys providing services and being involved in fundraisers as much as we have – Good Luck!

Emma Hogan President



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MONTE CASSINO



"We're not number 5, not number 4, number 3, number 2, we're number 1..." well... maybe not when it comes to house points or carnivals, or in poster competitions, but you will always be NUMBER ONE in my eyes, MONTE!!!

Who cares how fast you run or how quick you can get in and out of the water, being in Monte is all about participation and we certainly proved that this year. Particularly in the annual MSB Talent Quest, when the girls in red went the full monte, revealing talents they had so modestly hidden from the rest of the school. The talent quest resulted in a well-earned blue ribbon for the Monte girls – great effort!

The Swimming Carnival saw great Monte achievements both in the water and on the stands where that fiery Monte spirit shone through. The Athletics Carnival, despite freezing weather which failed to defrost our lunch, was another success. The house scores may say differently, but Monte were winners all round!

As Monte Captain, the year 2000 has been challenging, enjoyable and rewarding, as I'm sure it will be for next year's captains. They will have to

strive to live up to our exceptional talent displayed at school assemblies! Good Luck to Jacqui in 2001, whom I know will do a fantastic job in leading Monte through another fun-filled year.

A gigantic thank you to my fellow captains Jac, Jen, Sandra and Jo who displayed great sportsmanship and provided tremendous support throughout the year. Thank you to my Vice Captain, Lauren - her tremendous help encouragement and support was fantastic. Another huge thank you to Miss Goodwin for all her effort, dedication, motivation and support for all the Captains in making this year a sporting spectacular. A big thanks to all Monte Year 12s for all their help, support and involvement. I couldn't have done it without you. Of course, I couldn't have done anything without all the Monte girls who so willingly participated in all aspects of interhouse events, racing, poster making, cheering, singing and dancing and for simply turning up. A monstrous thank you and good luck for next year. Never ever forget ...

WE ARE NUMBER ONE!!!! - Go Monte!!

Kylie Lynch

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SUBIACO



What a great year for Subiaco! This year we have shown the other houses what we are truly made of! As Subiaco Captain for 2000, I was blown away by the unmatched Subi spirit. The energy, liveliness, dynamism and sparkle characteristic of Subi truly made me proud!

I'll start at the very beginning of our momentous journey to Subi glory – the swimming carnival. Okay, so maybe it wasn't the conceived first place, but the screams of joy at second were truly memorable. The superb spirit, strength, stamina and sparkle really shone in the Subi quarters at Homebush Bay. The Athletics Carnival gave Subi the opportunity to display our Athletic prowess....WE WON!!!!!! Although I was unable to attend, our placing lays testimony to Subiaco's superiority.

Other events, such as Search for the Stars, Interhouse Sport and other school activities displayed Subiaco's supreme reign in all spheres of school life. Yes, I know, it's tough having all the talent in one House!

Overall, the patriotism towards Subiaco was inspiring and truly phenomenal! Thank you to all of the Subi girls for their effort throughout the year. The participation, enthusiasm, gusto and exuberance

demonstrated will be for me, and many others, exceptional and unforgettable.

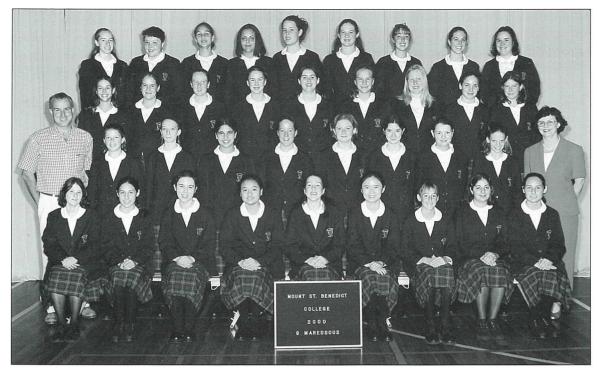
A great big "thank you" must go to my two Kidds-special thanks to Rebecca and Julia for all your support as Vice Captains. Both of you did an amazing job! Rebecca, good luck and all the best for next year. I have the utmost confidence that Subiaco is left in good hands!

To Sandra, your enthusiasm and efforts this year have been phenomenal! Thankyou for all your support this year, we all wouldn't have gone far without you. To Kylie, Jenny and Jackie, we did it! Thanks for all your support, friendship and rivalry.

A special thank you to all the P.E staff, especially Miss Goodwin, whose enthusiasm and energy were absolutely inspiring! The efforts and organization this year have been great.

Lastly, to Subiaco – your endeavour this year has been magnificent! What a great year 2000 has been for us all. Thank you for all the fun, the glitter and the memories. Keep it up Subi, because next year will be another year in which Subi will reign supreme!!!

Joanna Cardino, House Captain



FOURTH ROW: Sarah Kennedy, Nicole Maskell, Beth Nadwie, Cherie Takchi, Kristina Cejka,

Anna Cross, Emma Ritchie, Alison Clark, Meg Noble.

THIRD ROW: Melanie Bicopoulos, Emma Jackson, Amanda Browne, Claire Wallman,

Elizabeth Lah, Rachel Lawrenson, Erin Maguire, Kristy Morrison, Linda Ellis.

SECOND ROW: Mr B Stephen, Leanne Power, Sophia Helm, Rebecca Nadwie, Hayley Wearne,

Jennifer Doulman, Katie Wiseman, Mary-Anne Krpan, Brooke Lister,

Mrs F Borgona.

FRONT ROW: Elizabeth Hayes, Natalie Tavernese, Renee Carlino, Jennifer Sta Ana,

Eileen Black, Wong-Lou Stafford, Briony Stehr, Jessica Younes, Josephine Tavernese.

00-086 9 Maredsous Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair



THIRD ROW: Christina Mazzacuva, Jasmine Knock, Yasmin Hollis, Lauren Taylor,

Jessica Macnaught, Anica Pecar, Julia Deabill, Kylie Fayyad, Suzana Simanovic,

Katie Britto, Erinn Lees.

SECOND ROW: Mrs J Walsh, Rebecca Vallejo, Adele Isaac, Emilie Britto, Melanie Sherer,

Melissa Hovsepian, Erin Stapleton, Sharon Jenkins, Courtenay Peters, Nadine Mulder,

Melissa Gennusa, Mrs F Borgona.

FRONT ROW: Michelle Micallef, Sarah Zeidan, Joanna Hau, Alexandra Brown, Sarah Vallejo,

Amy Godamunne, Kirilie Cassar, Ginette Pedavoli, Erin Davis, Deepa Harvey,

Kristina Travers.

00-086 9 Monte Cassino Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair

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FOURTH ROW: Lorna Brett, Briony Wilbraham, Aisling Kennedy, Laura Tibbertsma, Erin Burns,

Sarah Clark, Jill Anne Vogelzang.

THIRD ROW: Sarah Thomson, Anine de Bruyn, Peta McMurray, De'Ann Morosin,

Kerry-Anne Copperfield, Brooke McDonald, Kerrie Watson, Katrina Vella,

Emily Bradley.

SECOND ROW: Miss E Magill, Michaela Whealing, Kristy Abraham, Sally Kenny, Nicole Dutton,

Alia Shammas, Hayley Carr, Elise Fryer, Mrs F Borgona.

FRONT ROW: Sarah Greenfield, Kelly Wooler, Linda Iacono, Stephanie Rodgers, Judy Clarke, Nelun Hoekstra, Katrina Graham, Sarah-Grace Paguinto, Romanthi Madawala. 00-086

9 Terracina Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair



FOURTH ROW: Lani Attwood, Rhiannon Stock, Tonneal Rush, Bianca Hijniakoff, Jennifer Day,

Elise De Santo, Britt Twomey, Bianca Saad, Cassandra Joslin.

THIRD ROW: Diana Giuliano, Stephanie Chen, Kirby Nelson, Sarah Hutchinson, Nicole Tripolone,

Belinda Sutton, Alecia Rush, Frances Takita, Kuseah Lawton, Kelly Tullett. SECOND ROW: Mrs A Howard, Rachel O'Regan, Jennifer McMahon, Elizabeth Welsh,

Sian Prideaux, Jenna Collard, Emmalene Lovelock, Sarsha Everingham,

Amelia Hangan, Mrs F Borgona.

FRONT ROW: Rebecca Lynch, Michelle Belme, Haein Youn, Ashleigh Marks, Annemarie Tripolone,

Felicity Bandiera, Gabrielle Karger, Claire Hurley, Allanah Campton, Amber Moloney.

00-086 Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair

YEAR NINE

Year 9, 2000, has been a very memorable and enjoyable year. Having to choose our electives at the end of Year 8 was quite nerve racking, but it has been fun studying subjects of our own choice.

In April, we set off to one of three different venues for our Reflection Day. We enjoyed spending time with girls whom we did not know very well. Many of us made new friends. It was a fun-filled day that included box decorating and making clay sculptures. The highlight of our year was the PDHPE Camp at Colo. We spent two nights camping in the middle of the bush or at base camp. After these two nights we will never take our cosy beds, toilets or showers for granted! While some overcame their fear of heights on the high ropes course, others were falling out of canoes into the cold Colo River, trekking through the bush or rock climbing. It was an excellent experience and we would not have missed it for anything.

This year our Swimming Carnival was held at the Sydney International Aquatic Centre. The School community, including Year 9, had a great time and participated in every way possible. In the end, Maredsous came out on top, winning the Swimming Carnival outright. It was a day enjoyed by all.

Many talented girls, mainly from Year 9, helped to celebrate Jubilee 2000 by singing, dancing or just participating on the day. Everyone helped to make it a memorable occasion. Mount St. Benedict Day, better known as MSB Day, took on a new look this year! Despite the bad weather, the College travelled, en masse, to Arcadia. During this great celebration with Father Jim McKeon, the Choir sang while the Dance Ensemble performed to "Joyful, Joyful", which was one of the Jubilee musical items performed at the Superdome. On returning to school, the

celebrations continued with Roll Call Parties and a Talent Quest.

June 16 was an exciting day of Chivalry and Costumes. Three Year 9 Elective History classes spent Medieval Day learning about the ways of the Dark Ages, having fun with brass rubbings and watching sword fights. The Performing Arts Concert entertained the audience with Drama plays, Dance routines and Musical Items. Participation by over 80 Year 9 students contributed to make this a fantastic event.

Expectations are rising as the date of the Year 9 Dance approaches. The Year 9 SRC's have contributed much time and effort to ensure that an enjoyable evening will be had by one and all. Later this year, two elective Commerce classes will be going on an excursion to Arnotts and McDonalds. This long awaited excursion is sure to be an excellent learning experience and a fun day.

A huge thank you to Mrs. Borgona, Mr. Stephen and Mrs. Walsh for all their help in our Year Assemblies over the past year - much appreciated! Special thanks to Mrs. Borgona for using her piano accordian to lighten up the Year 9 assemblies. The whole grade really gets involved and enjoys themselves singing and bopping along to the music.

All said and done, Year 9 have had a very exciting, entertaining and busy year. It has been worthwhile and we thank all the teachers associated with Year 9 for their excellent contributions to our schooling. We hope that everyone has a very safe and happy vacation and wish to see you back next year.

Year 10, here we come!

Stephanie Rodgers, Kuseah Lawton, Anne Marie Tripolone, Beth Nadwie



YEAR EIGHT 1999

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE

SEMESTER TWO, 1999

RELIGION

Judith Clarke
Nicole Tripolone
Kelly Tullett
Amy Godamunne
Rhiannon Stock
Diana Giuliano

ENGLISH

Kelly Tullett Judith Clarke Annemarie Tripolone Belinda Sutton Adele Isaac

MATHEMATICS

Eileen Black Annemarie Tripolone Nicole Tripolone Courtenay Peters Kelly Tullett

SCIENCE

Annemarie Tripolone Natalie Pagonis Amber Moloney Belinda Sutton Amy Godamunne Nicole Tripolone

HISTORY

Erin Lees Jennifer McMahon Nicole Tripolone Katrina Graham Michaela Whealing

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Nicole Tripolone
Katrina Graham
Rebecca Nadwie
Yasmin Hollis
Britt Twomey
Anna Cross

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Nicole Tripolone

German Courtenay Peters

Meghann Noble

Michaela Whealing

Japanese

Joanna Hau

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CREATIVE ARTS

Visual Art Rhiannon Stock

Erin Maguire
Lauren Taylor
Jenna Collard
Bianca Hijniakoff
Nicole Tripolone
Anna Cross
Natalie Pagonis
Nicole Tripolone

Music Nicole Tripolone

Erin Davis

Annemarie Tripolone Courtenay Peters Michelle Belme Belinda Sutton

PD H PE

Briony Wilbraham Diana Giuliano Kelly Tullett Nicole Tripolone Katie Wiseman Elizabeth Nadwie

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MOUNT ST. BENEDICT CHOIR

Ms V Hatezic



MOUNT ST. BENEDICT CONCERT BAND

Brilliant

Awesome

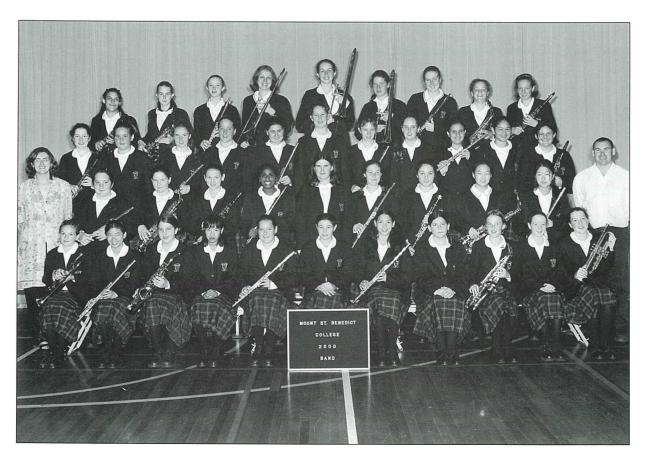
Neat

Delightful

. . . That's the Band!

On the first of March this year, a new performance ensemble gathered in the Music room for its first rehearsal under the baton of Mrs. Kath Grant. The Mount St. Benedict Concert Band consists of 35 enthusiastic ladies whose abilities range from over 4 years experience on their instruments, to only six months. After their 6th rehearsal together, the band performed its first Soiree for parents and friends of the band. Since then, the band has played at the Performing Arts Concerts, and in August, at the Opening Ceremony of the Olympic Day at St. Michael's Primary School, Baulkham Hills.

To set up a band such as this takes time, commitment, patience and lots of help. Mrs. Grant and the band would like to thank the following people for their much appreciated support: Mrs. Sinclair and the staff of Mount St. Benedict for covering extras and reorganising timetables; the Parents and Friends Association for assisting with the Band's start-up expenses; the Band Parent Support Group for their endless enthusiasm and resourcefulness; and especially Ms Vesna Hatezic and Mr. Andrew Quinane for all their hours of work and organisation.





AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL 2000

Amnesty International campaigns for people around the world who are victims of human rights abuses.

This year has certainly been a busy on for us at Amnesty! Every Thursday, we have met to discuss human rights issues and ways in which we can raise the awareness about such issues within our College community.

Each year, the Amnesty head office runs official campaigns. In 2000, we were involved in the Refugee Campaign, and the Campaign for Women's Rights. Our letter-writing component this year has largely been about the death penalty in countries such as the USA, the Philippines, and Guatemala. This task has given each member of AI the opportunity to learn and grow in their understanding of this important issue.

Our second Annual Amnesty Disco went off with a bang! DJ's Jorgie Jay and Alex K helped us

celebrate human rights, and everyone had a blast! Each year, we aim to send about \$1000 directly to Amnesty. On top of this, we raise a smaller amount to fund our letter-writing endeavours each year.

Towards the end of the year we attracted many new members from the junior years. In particular, a new group of Year 10 girls are being taught the ropes in order to take over leadership roles next year. I would like to thank the departing Year 12 girls for their hard work and amazing enthusiasm. Without them, the organisation of Amnesty could not have transformed itself over the last two years. Their ingenious ideas and capacity for taking action will be sorely missed. To Mrs Lang, we would all like to thank you for your tireless efforts in helping to make our AI group run smoothly.

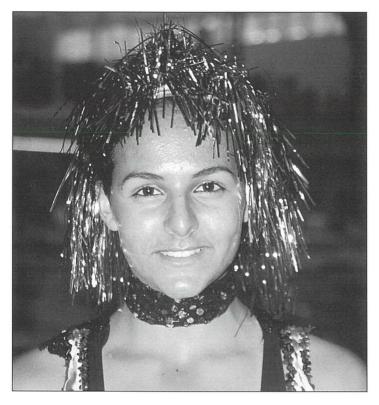
Emma Hogan



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SPORTS CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Sandra, Sandra oi! oi! oi!



The sporting scene for 2000 began at Homebush Bay Aquatic centre and boy did we show them we could swim, not to mention airing our lung capacity when it came to supporting our colour houses. Congratulations to Jackie and all the greenies of Maredsous who proved too good in the pool, and out, taking home the war cry trophy and the winning colour house trophy.

The morning of the athletics carnival smelt like wet grass and by lunchtime it was the smell of sausages (thanks to the Year 12s). The weather held up – just!! Benni-roos need more than a few raindrops to stop them competing. It only made us more determined to run, jump and throw like never before.

Saturday sport and representative teams were also very successful this year, proving once more that Bennies' girls really do love their sport.

My deepest thanks to my house captains, Jacki, Jenni, Jo and Kylie, who spent mornings teaching me how to co-ordinate myself for those most entertaining assembly skits!!! Each one of you and your colour has won an event throughout the year but who will have the last laugh? You will just have to wait and see.

Best of luck next year to Elena and her enthusiastic team, who are sure to carry on the proud sporting traditions of MSB (that includes beating the teachers at the student vs teacher games).

To the PDHPE staff, a huge thank you for your never ending efforts and organisation of sporting events. You truly are angels in disguise.

"Through unity we grow stronger" was our motto for 2000. Congratulations, you have all lived up to the motto and helped build a strong school community with such enormous school spirit. Each and everyone of you must be proud, and I can only hope that your sportsmanship continues to grow with each new season. Remember to keep smiling and always yell a mighty loud and proud:

Bennies Oi! Bennies Oi! Bennies, Bennies, Bennies, Oi, Oi, Oi!!!

I leave you with my last quote for the year by the founder of the modern Olympic games Baron Pierre De Coubertin:

"The most important thing of the Olympic games is not to win, but to take part.

Just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle".

Sandra Gabrael

DUKE OF EDINBURGH 2000

"For young people in Australia to achieve their full potential within a supportive society."

"The Award concept is one of individual challenge.
It presents to young people a balanced,
non-competitive programme of voluntary activities
which encourage personal discovery and growth,
self reliance, perseverance, responsibility
to themselves and service to their community."

The Duke of Edinburgh program is offered to any Mount St Benedict student (aged 14 and up) who is prepared to set a number of goals and work hard to achieve them. This year we have over 50 girls completing various levels of the award.

The Award consists of 4 main areas:-

- Physical Recreation completion of some form of physical activity/sport/exercise over a number of weeks.
- Community Service Provide some type of community service regularly over a selected number of weeks.
- Skill learn a new skill or practise a skill eg music over a set number of weeks.
- Expeditions Complete appropriate bush craft training and then undertake two overnight expeditions. For higher levels, up to 4 days camping.

The levels of the award are BRONZE, SILVER and GOLD. Gold, being the most prestigious and difficult award to attain. Recipients of this award are

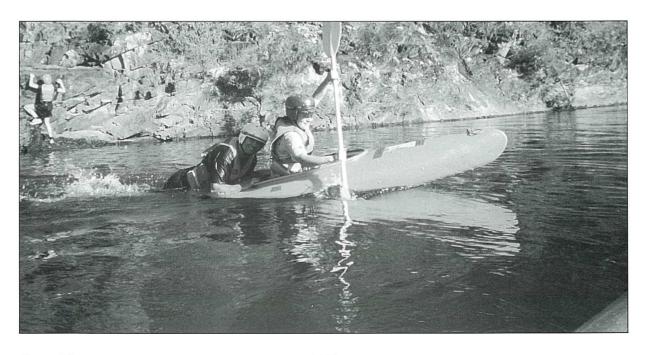
presented with their certificates at Government House by the Governor of NSW.

The new 2000 approach to the scheme has been challenging. However, the opportunity for any student to complete their award is now a priority. The NEW termly publication of 'Bennie's Bushwalking News' provides up to date information, funny stories, camping news and expedition dates for Somerset, the Outdoor Education Company we are able to use.

During Term 2, a very successful Bushcraft Training Day was run here at the school. All Mount St Benedict participants were involved in the long day. Navigation, first aid and camp craft were the main topics discussed. Our Silver and Gold participants were also involved in a more advanced training, taking their camping knowledge a step further. A great sausage sizzle was provided by the Car Boot Sale BBQ tent which was very convenient. It was a great learning day!

To any of our students who are thinking of joining Duke of Edinburgh, I encourage you to do so. It is a program like no other. The rewards are great, especially knowing that you have achieved them through your own dedication and commitment. You will not regret your challenging opportunities. Duke Of Edinburgh at Mount St Benedict will continue to grow and the possibilities for 2001 look great from here.

Naomi Goodwin (Duke Of Edinurgh Co-ordinator)



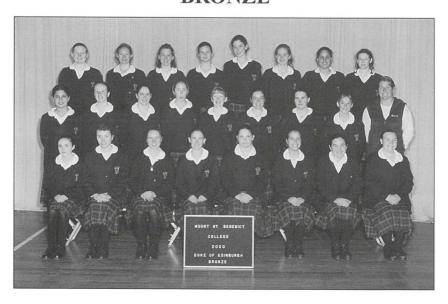
GOLD



SILVER



BRONZE



2000

SOCIAL JUSTICE

The Year 2000 has been an exciting and enriching one in the Social Justice field. Mount St Benedict has always had a fine reputation and history of being aware of Social Justice issues, however, this year the pitch was a little higher and the energy more consistent.

Our first major event was the Social Justice evening. Initiated through the enthusiasm of Emma Hogan and Laura Carlino this evening satisfied all the aims and purposes we first articulated when planning the event. It engendered interest and stimulated the conscience of all who attended. Voluntary participation ensured that those who were there were keen and committed. The presenters commented on the maturity and insightfulness of the students. We were fortunate to have a few students from four other schools attend as well. Their contribution added a different dimension and broadened the experience for everyone. We had a few last minute, unavoidable disappointments, however, the evening was not marred, nor the quality of the experience diminished in any way as a result. This evening has etched itself into the College calendar as a regular event of the future. I cannot speak highly enough of Emma and Laura and the band of ten or so girls who worked on this venture - they were extraordinary!

Our first Social Justice cluster meeting was enlightening. At Rosebank College we met students from Domreyme, Christian Brothers, and St Patrick's, Strathfield. We were tantalized with the possibilities and potential activities we could bring to fruition over time in our school. It was exciting and highly motivating.

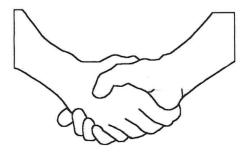
Possibly the highlight of the year has been the Good Samaritan Ministry Outreach. In participating in this program I spent a week of the July holidays with Emma Hogan, Sayna Rezainia, Natasha Fairs, Katie Rudolph and Jacqui Potter at St Scholastica's College, Glebe. In this week we visited a soup kitchen, a Neighbourhood center in Claymore, a center for intellectually disabled adults, and the streets of Kings Cross. In each situation we worked with the people and gained an invaluable insight into their difficulties, their triumphs and their hopes. It was a real privilege to be included and welcomed into these communities and to experience this with a group of exceptional young women who exhibited compassion, strength and wisdom.

Since then, with the Ministry Outreach group, Laura Carlino and several other girls in Year 10, the Social Justice Network is slowly evolving as a framework that can raise awareness, and advocate and challenge on issues of Social Justice. We now receive several wonderful periodicals on Social Justice; our library file and information display board is coming together to open this information to everyone in the College. We also have girls working on establishing our new website.

Our Social Justice newsletter, now in its second issue, is stimulating discussion and raising interest. Our action has been varied: Miss Emma Magill and Room 23 once again had a flower day to raise money for East Timor; shampoos and toiletries were collected for Matt Talbot Hostel; a group of teachers and students joined thousands of others in the walk across the Harbour Bridge for Reconciliation. The diversity of issues will continue, and we will respond either as a group or as individuals through our Social Justice network.

In this year of Jubilee and Reconciliation our Social Justice platform has taken its first steps to establish itself in our College community. Given the enthusiasm and support extended so far from these members, and the charisma of our foundation sisters, I am confident it will blossom

Mrs Susan Lennox



PEER SUPPORT

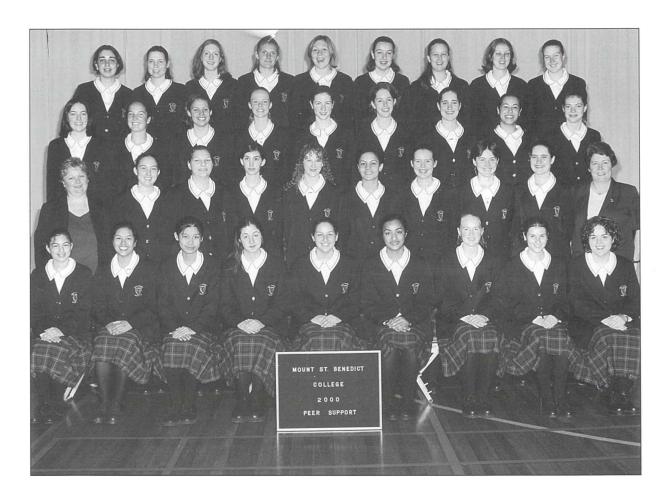
Peer Support was a rewarding experience all round. It started with two days training where we, as Year 10s, had the exciting experience of travelling outside the school grounds with the opportunity of becoming a leader.

Our main aim for Peer Support was to welcome the new Year 7 students, just as we had been welcomed four years ago. We helped them to settle in, showed them around and gave them the opportunity to build new friendships. Both the Year 7s and Year 11s had fun doing lots of activities, some where we shared our thoughts on situations and others that helped Year 7s into the routine of high school.

The several weeks of Peer Support ended up with parties held in each group. It was a rewarding experience for both the Years 7s and Year 11s

We would like to thank Mrs Dunn, who co-ordinated the groups and activities and was always there to lend a hand.

Roslyn Farrugia and Georgette Youakim



TERRACINA



The year has just flown by and it has been another Terra-fic year. Terra has been so enthusiastic and so involved this year in many activities. It has been great to see so many people showing their house spirit.

I would firstly like to thank those wonderful people who displayed their artistic talents in contributing to our victory in the poster competition.

Although we did not win either the swimming or athletics carnival, we did come close. Terra showed that they had many outstanding swimmers and athletes and also an exceptional level of active participation. Many people participated in helping to set up equipment, being student officials and enthusiastically helped to achieve more house points by taking part in our war cry. My congratulations to those Year 11s who organized the huge war cry for the swimming carnival. I myself know how much of a gruelling task that can be, and you guys put in a great effort!

Then there was the MSB day talent quest. Who could forget the endless Brittany Spears, our lovely Priscilla act, the fantastic host, and finally the lovely little ensemble that the wonderful House Captains put together.

Although there were opportunities for people to earn points in sporting areas such as gala days and

interhouse sport, there were also people who earned house points through debating, oratory and outside charges (every point counts), and these people must also be commended.

Finally, my thanks to all of Terracina. You guys are fantastic and it has been a great year. Thanks to Liz, my trusty vice captain, for your support and overwhelming enthusiasm. Also to the other vice captains, Julia, Rebecca, Elena and Lauren – you were all so full of enthusiasm and energy, it was so great to see. To my fellow House Captains, Ky, Jac and Jo - what can I say? You guys are great, and I'm going to miss Friday assemblies, embarrassing myself while taking off Bardot and trying to encourage people to participate in inter-house sport! A huge thank you and congratulations must go to Sandra and Miss Goodwin. You both organized so much and were both very supportive.

Good luck next year, Christine. You'll make a great leader and I'm sure that you'll do a great job in leading Terra to victory.

Thanks for a great year Terra, you guys are the best. Thanks for all the support. You've been a great colour house and I'm proud of every single one of you. Good luck next year and GO TERRA, GO TERRA, GO!!!!!

Jenny Cropper, House Captain

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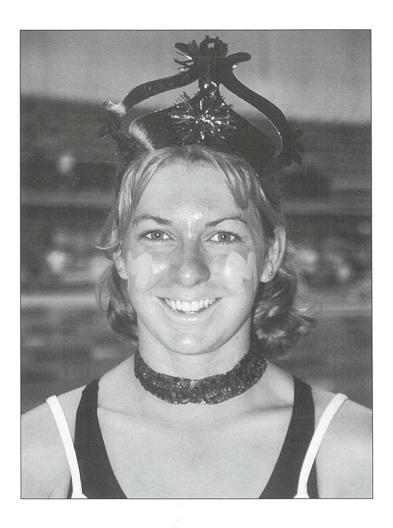








MAREDSOUS



Another fabulous year for the mean, green machine!! Your enthusiasm and spirit shone through yet again for an unforgettable experience. What more can I say? You are an extremely talented house! I'd like to thank each and everyone of you for your support and effort to make this year magnificent. Your participation was exceptional and all of you should feel proud of the courage and determination shown.

We lived up to the incredible standard, set in years gone by, of athletes in our school. The swimming carnival serves as a testament to this. Not only did your talent shine in the water, but also the stands, where our cries echoed throughout the Olympic site. Move over Susie O'Neill and Ian Thorpe, Maredsous girls are coming through!

The athletics carnival proved to be a fun-filled day of cheering, green faces and some mighty Maredsous power. Well done for your efforts and achievements. It was a wonderful day despite the rain. Thanks to those brave ones who served the sausages to my hungry athletes. You were much appreciated.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Sandra, Kylie, Jenni and Jo for their fantastic support and encouragement this year. Such a year would never have been possible without your help and enthusiasm. I thank you from the bottom of my heart - you're the best! Thank you also to Elena for your brilliant help this year. You did an exceptional job as vice captain and I know you'll be a sensational Sports Captain next year. Good luck.

To Ciara, you'll be tremendous next year, and if you have half as much fun as I did, you'll have an awesome year. Good luck.

Overall, 2000 has been an impressive year, and I hope all of you use your Maredsous power with the enthusiasm that you showed this year, and continue to shine through all of your talents. Thank you for such a great year! GO MAREDSOUS!

Jackie Durham, House Captain

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FOURTH ROW: Olivia Usien, Lauren Holden, Valentina Wondracz, Claire Bull, Magda Sujecki,

Justine Curline, Renata Fabisiak, Erin Giumelli, Jennifer Griffin.

THIRD ROW: Karen Lim, Jessica Centenera, Ria Tamone, Kristen Delutiis, Jemma Stehr,

Coby Walter, Sinead Deevy, Angela Wyatt, Monika Kenig.

SECOND ROW: Mrs K Whowell, Casey De Souza, Cardia Martens, Vanessa Zuccala,

Nicole De Caria, Amy Barker, Sherilyn Tan, Caroline Frelek, Lorely Iacullo,

Ms D Reavey.

FRONT ROW: Kristine Walker, Lara Palma, Narelle Raiss, Michelle Barillaro, Nicole Sigmun,

Krystle Keller, Nadia Mahamood, Vanessa Maroon, Katherine Gaughan.

10 Maredsous Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair



THIRD ROW: Amanda Ralph, Kate Coombes, Kirsten Haig, Michelle Lulan, Naomi Cronin,

Alana Handley, Erin Vallely, Sara-Joy O'Connor, Elise Miller, Meghan Simpson,

Emma Peters.

SECOND ROW: Mrs M Dudley, Brianna Train, Kaitlin Stott, Julia Gazzard, Justine Portelli,

Natasha Gilbert, Samantha Sese, Eve Kenny, Marisa Burgess, Laura Glasby,

Nicole Roberts, Ms D Reavey.

FRONT ROW: Katie Lee, Hope Jameson, Bernadette Kenny, Amy Fiveash, Lauren Miller,

Cadence O'Reilly, Diana Popic, Bernadette Donoghoe, Caroline Kaldas,

Erin Jeavons-Fellows, Ruth Werner.

00-086 10 Monte Cassino Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair

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FOURTH ROW: Emma Howcroft, Annette Siddle, Liz Gulczynski, Leah Dundas, Amy Wood,

Carmelina Pollicina, Liz Lukunic, Nicole Box, Jane Huang.

THIRD ROW: Melinda Ferris, Kelly Beasley, Monica Ungsuprasert, Karina Candia, Katelyn Donnelly,

Amanda Kish, Katherine Gaitanos, Amy Junkiewicz, Katrina Fox.

SECOND ROW: Miss E Magill, Gemma Watts, Katrina Huxley, Alex Engel, Jean-Marie Ruhan, Milena Gozzo, Sarah Gray, Rabea Khan, Elizabeth Viski, Ms D Reavey.

FRONT ROW: Sulianna Oen, Tina Gabriel, Nishmi Gunasingam, Erin Bonnet, Vivienne Traynor,

Gillian Williams, Jessica Veale, Lauren Burt, Jenny Mountford.

00-086 10 Terracina Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair



THIRD ROW: Nicole Alldis, Claire Porter, Penny Bigg, Cassie Kirkman, Katie Games,

Elizabeth Watkins, Serene Limaye, Theresa Clasquin, Amanda McIntosh.

Dr Abbott, Lauren Vieyra, Laura Friery, Rosanne Brincat, Jeannette Cook,

Erin Martin, Amy Cassidy, Kate Cassidy, Theresa Davies, Julia Tropiano,

Ms D Reavey.

FRONT ROW: Melina Manago, Cairstain Adam, Andrea Scott, Cheryl Fernandes, Felicity Hyde,

Rachel Macumber, Tanya Roumanus, Sasha De Melo, Nadia Habkouk, Jomana Jreige,

Dianne Mouyat.

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YEAR 10

Surviving Year 10 is a challenge for many students as they struggle with their new role as Senior Juniors. Girls are constantly reminded of the need to complete work, manage their time and organize themselves as they prepare for their major decisions which must be made at the end of the year. The expectations of the girls, their teachers, and parents are high.

Year 10 is a year of 'firsts'. It sees girls completing their first external exam, attending their first overnight retreat, participating in their first schoolbased Community Outreach program, completing their first full week of school exams and being permitted to go home when they are not doing exams. Of course, then there is the inevitable discussion about the formal. This year has also been an opportunity for the girls to think beyond their own needs and to help the wider community. The girls have collected stationery items for Claymore Neighbourhood Centre, sold pens and badges for the Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Society and are currently planning to organize some fund-raising activities to help homeless youth.

There are some special girls in Year 10, girls who excel in activities outside school. Some of these things we know about, others are kept very, very quiet indeed. The high achievers of whom we know include:

Lauren Burt — an enthusiastic gymnast who participated in the Opening Ceremony of the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games and the Jubilee celebrations at the Superdome;

Amanda McIntosh — a finalist in the Isobel Anderson Awards {Australia-wide ballet competition} this year, she regularly achieves well in a variety of eisteddfods;

Sarah-Joy O'Connor — a passionate actress who studies with the Australian Theatre for Young People. In 2000 she will travel abroad with the company;

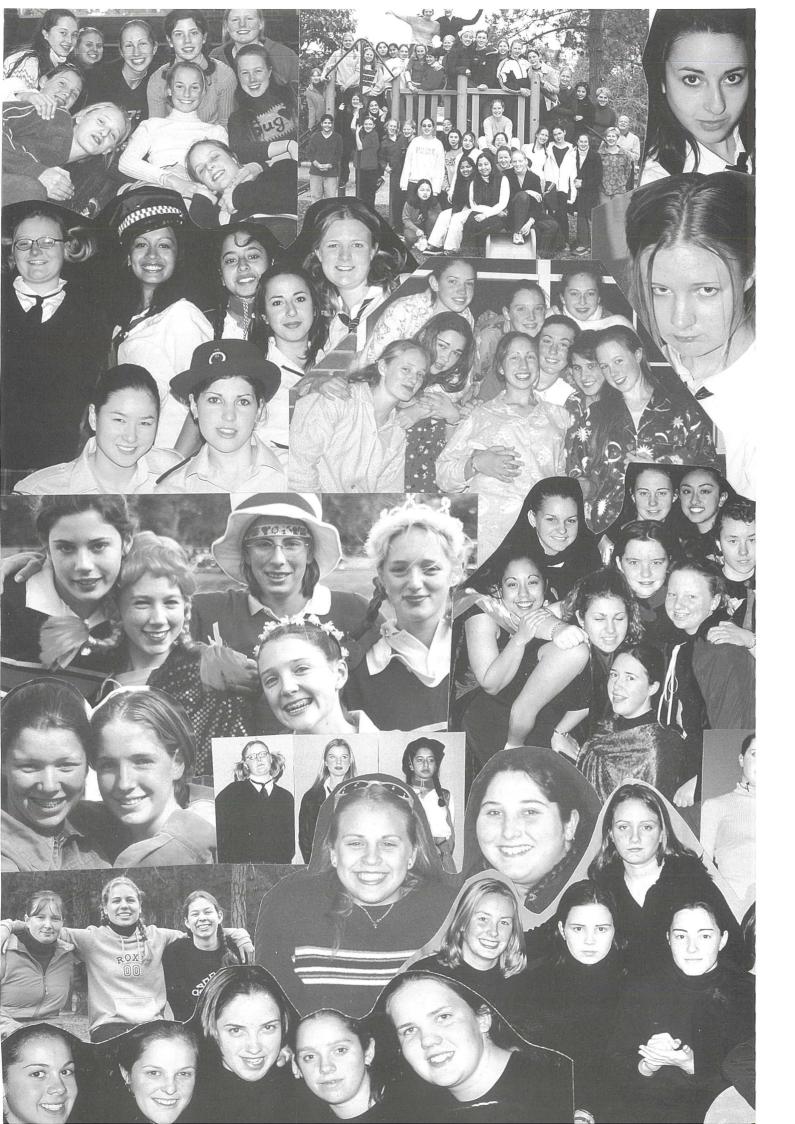
Justine Portelli – at the National Ice Skating Titles in Melbourne this year, Justine achieved 1st in Dance, 1st in Precision, 2nd in Figures and 5th in Freeskating;

Lisa Smyth — an active, enthusiastic student who has become a valued member of Amnesty International this year. Lisa's awareness made her an excellent part of the Social Justice team;

Ellen Vaughan — Ellen suffers Chronic Fatigue Syndrome {CFS} and is currently unable to attend classes. She has remained a part of the community and the girls have made sure to maintain contact with Ellen through visits, letter-writing and even making a short video.

These are just a few of our very special Year 10 girls. There are many more. What is conspicuous about this group of girls is their thirst for life. This particular group is vibrant, thinking, generous, willing to take on new things. Their energy has made them an interesting and challenging group with which to work. Hopefully this energy level will be maintained as they become real seniors or leave school to pursue studies at TAFE or join the workforce.

Ms Dympna Reavey



YEAR 10 RETREAT 2000

This year saw Year 10 students experience their first overnight retreat. There was much discussion in advance. For some it was the opportunity for a 'sleepover' with friends, for others it was the opportunity to escape school for a couple of days. Some girls looked forward to the break, for others it was something that *had* to be done. Lists for rooms were submitted, changed and then changed again. The question "Is that the pig farm?" resounded in the corridor outside Ms. Reavey's office. The differences between a retreat and a camp were discussed and understood, and then some continued to call the two days a camp. Retreat certainly lived up to the expectations of some and surprised others.

Elanora Heights

Our retreat gave us a chance to reflect on our lives and our futures, and an opportunity to grow as a grade. We had time to ourselves to pray and meditate, as well as time to just have fun with friends. Our theme for retreat was 'masks' – how we act publicly and privately. We celebrated a beautiful liturgy, based on our theme. It was a great two days – something that will be a highlight of our Year 10 memories.

Emma Howcroft

Gilbulla

Over the two days at Gilbulla we had many activities in which we all took part. We were placed in smaller groups where we were able to share our thoughts, feelings and beliefs. This also gave us an opportunity to form new friendships and develop those we already had. It wasn't all serious though. The night gave us the opportunity to develop our skills of co-ordination and teamwork as we participated in our own mini-Olympics. Of course, there was the constant consumption of lollies and junk food, as we pretended to sleep and talked the night away, and the persistent smell of PIGS!

It was a memorable couple of days and certainly a retreat that we will remember always.

Naomi Cronin

Kiah Ridge

The two days were filled with activities ranging from games to guided activities to quiet reflection. We were challenged to consider our relationships with God, our family and friends, at the same time recognising who we are and understanding our actions more clearly. Our free time was filled with bushwalking, photos, trampolining and music. The hyperactive were then returned to stillness by a meditation and a liturgy which was put together by everyone. Overall the two days were a valuable and wonderful experience, and such a special occasion will never be forgotten by all who share it's memories.



YEAR NINE 1999

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE

SEMESTER TWO, 1999

RELIGION

Milena Gozzo Monika Kenig

Amanda McIntosh Tanya Roumanus Lisa Smyth

Gemma Watts

ENGLISH

Alexandra Engel Annette Siddle Michelle Lulan Theresa Davies

Lauren Miller

MATHEMATICS

Advanced Annette Siddle

Amanda McIntosh

Intermediate Jessica Centenera

Kristine Walker

Standard Claire Porter

Meghan Simpson

SCIENCE

Gemma Watts Laura Friery Emma Peters Annette Siddle Lauren Miller

HISTORY

Alexandra Engel Sasha De Melo Natasha Gilbert **GEOGRAPHY**

Monika Kenig Emma Peters

ASIAN STUDIES

Lisa Smyth

COMMERCE

Nishmi Gunasingham

LANGUAGES

French Lara Palma German Annette Siddle Japanese Annette Siddle

DESIGN and TECHNOLOGY

Leah Dundas

FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Lisa Smyth

CREATIVE ARTS

Visual Art Leah Dundas

Erin Jeavons-Fellows

Amy Fiveash Amanda McIntosh Bernadette Kenny

Drama Rosanne Brincat
Dance Katherine Gaughan

PD H PE

Music

Vivienne Traynor Leah Dundas Alexandra Engel Katrina Huxley Jennifer Mountford

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BONITA MABO AND JOHN WILLIAMSON VISIT MOUNT ST. BENEDICT



To meet a woman who holds such great significance in our country's history is an unforgettable opportunity. Mrs Bonita Mabo, accompanied by singer John Williamson, attended a rehearsal for the Jubilee 2000 Festival on the 30th of May at Mount St Benedict College.

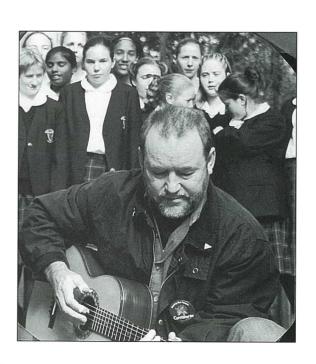
Along with John Williamson and soloists from Mater Maria College, Mount St. Benedict singers and dancers performed "This Ancient Land is a Part of Me" for Mrs Mabo, a song that represents the ideas today regarding Aboriginal acceptance.

After the performance, Mrs Mabo spoke to us of her opinions regarding Aboriginal Reconciliation. As many students and teachers gathered around to listen, Mrs. Mabo shared memories of her childhood that were triggered by the events of the previous week. She told us that she had attended the 'Sorry' walk across the Sydney Harbour Bridge. As she turned

around, she was overwhelmed by the size of the crowd that had turned up to support Aboriginals. She shared her painful stories of her life and the suffering that Aboriginals were exposed to. Her speech ended with one simple request: when we see an Aboriginal, just to say hello to them, to sit with them for a while and listen to their stories. She said "To have someone listen to them would make their day. Even a smile is so satisfying. A smile can go a long way." Words of wisdom, one will always remember.

Attending rehearsals during and after school, we, along with our teachers Miss Vesna Hatezic, Mr Andrew Quinane and Mrs Vanessa Earp, contributed to making this Jubilee Celebration something to remember.

Kristina Travers and Kuseah Lawton Year 9



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A MORNING WITH NELSON MANDELA

Last year, at the suggestion of our Librarian, Mrs Gorme, the Mount St Benedict College community gave its generous support to the "Books for Africa" scheme, amidst the chaos of "Wings of Hope". Many people generously donated books to be sent over to the poor of Africa.

As a result of this, I was privileged to meet Mr Nelson Mandela on his recent visit to Australia. It was organised for him to present certificates to a representative of each school that contributed to the appeal and, as the newly-elected College Captain for 2001, I was fortunate to be asked to represent our school. We met at the Royal Yacht Club at Rushcutters Bay bright and early one morning for one of the most amazing experiences of our lives!

As we boarded the P & O ship waiting for us, everyone was a bit nervous about what was about to happen, but also a bit overwhelmed. Mr Mandela boarded the boat and made everyone feel at ease in his charming and charismatic way. He presented our certificates and then sat and chatted to all of us in a friendly and light-hearted manner, joking and answering our many questions.

Mr Mandela was a relaxed and interesting conversationalist, and we listened as he told us about his life, the history of the African people and his time in gaol. When asked what advice he would give the younger generation, he jokingly told us that he was not game to give advice, because the generation gap was too large! He told us that his son has already told him that he is too old!

We only spent about an hour with him, but it will be one of the most memorable moments of our lives.

Antonia Calabro



SYDNEY MORNING HERALD YOUNG WRITER OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

Earlier this year Mount St Benedict students entered short stories in the Sydney Morning Herald Young Writer of the Year Competition. Several were highly recommended, and Laura Carlino (Year 11) was a finalist. She shares her story Cross Culture with you:

CROSS CULTURE

By Laura Carlino

10th of March, 1945, Australia. Maria Petrucci sits at the hard, wooden, kitchen table, the battered surface resembling her life in Australia so far. The deep impressions that she and her husband Giuseppe are trying to carve out for themselves in this new country, Australia.

Her legs aching, she is grateful for the rest. Wiping the perspiration from her forehead, she takes the cup of caffe latte into her hands, her fingers grasping onto the little of home that she has to remember. Closing her eyes, the aroma fills her nostrils, awakening memories of home. The faint melody of the piano accordian, with fingers gradually quickening their pace; detached from the hands, they feel the rhythm just as though they are the ones folk dancing the tarantella. The old ladies and their knitted shawls hugging a wealth of gossip and the old language tumbling out, a million miles a minute. Their mouths bulging purses that could never be quite closed as a few coins worth of laughter and gossip always seemed to spill out.

She opens her eyes and is left to face the cold, hard truth. She is a migrant, in a country where there are no piano accordians in sight and the old language has been replaced with English, something she is yet to grasp.

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10th of March, the year 2000, Australia. Carmel Petrucci sits at the stylish table in the comfortable yet chic Bar Italia. The fresh faced waitress comes over to take her order. "Um, make mine latte thanks," she decides as she resists the temptation

to indulge in a piece of tiramisu that has caught her eye, tucked high in the glass counter.

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"When the moon hits your eye like a big pizza pie that's....," her mobile phone interrupts the flow of Italian folk music and cappucinos. Ending the phone conversation with, "Ok, thanks, Ciao," the caffe latte has arrived. She takes the chrome coffee cup in her hands and smells the aroma. The hot drink warms her insides, as she feels its rich, creamy texture slowly warm its way down just before she makes a frantic dash for her important meeting.

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Maria kneads the doughy mass in front of her, her thin fingers lost amongst the flabby flesh and mixture of flour. Thick cascades of hair are kept in place, straggly wisps daring to break free. Although she is only twenty, Maria feels her back has lived through eighty years of intense work as a dull ache immerses her neck and shoulders. Knead, flatten, flatten, knead; the cycle continues. Each knead of the dough immerses so much of her energy, but it is almost mechanical. Her mind is elsewhere; far away. Each gentle fold of the dough is the folding of a new way for her new life. Learning the basics of English has been a struggle but must be done. The words do not roll off her tongue comfortably like they do for the neighbours. These words, so foreign to her, are uttered slightly under her breath, her cheeks warming to the unfamiliar sounds that she makes.

"A child, my child," Maria thought. She and Giuseppe had planned on establishing a family but is she doing the right thing? She cannot be sure, as the questions rise and fall in her mind, an ocean of waves that never cease. It is not easy here, as they continue to work, but it seems that this place, so foreign as it may be, is now their home. She hopes that there will come a day when her children will not have to work with so much effort and determination as she has done. Will there come a day when all of her tears and aches will fade

effortlessly into a transparent film that will cover her children's eyes for lifetimes to come? She hopes that she is setting the foundations for her children's children. She hopes that this will be recognised in the future. She hopes that one day things will be different.

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The sky has turned grey, the change from day to night visible when you're stuck in traffic, mind meandering aimlessly into nothingness. Carmel reaches for the radio dial. The loud pumping beat comes blaring out and, on a Friday night, it feels as though every pump is grasping control of the headache; an enormous weight that has settled at the base of her neck, slowly reaching the top of her head. She finds herself switching to A.M. in the hope of something tolerable.

"And welcome to the Friday Night Cooking Show," says the bubbly radio presenter, "On this evening's show, we will be discussing how you can create your very own and very authentic Italian antipasto. Yes, that's right, we know that this is going to become one of the favourites. Now there is one thing we must say; cheap imitations are a very big no no; only the best will do. We're talking about colours, we're talking about vibrancy, isn't it just fantastic Tanya?"

"There is no question Michael. This is very exciting. Now, my suggestion is that you take a look at these fantastic little Italian owned delis. Just choose one and make it your own. Another thing; we are talking about knowing our Italian food. I mean, Michael, we have to know the difference between a good and bad prosciutto, no doubt about it. This can make or break an antipasto platter."

Carmel tilts her head back to rest on the seat, a small grin spreading to an amused chuckle. "The colours? The vibrancy? What would Nonna Maria think of all his talk?" she thought, as the traffic inched it's way along as though it were a caterpillar struggling to crawl forward.



ACADEMIC COMPETITIONS

GERMAN COMPETITION

Every two years 'die Brücke', the Association of German Clubs in Australia, holds a competition for German students. This year the theme was the Olympic Games, ancient or modern, and the Year 10 class started researching the topic.

Five students submitted their posters, and a week before the prize giving, I was advised that one of our students had received a major prize. Subsequently we were invited to the German Club Concordia, in Stanmore, for the prize giving ceremony. On Sunday 3rd September (Father's Day), four students and their parents attended the ceremony. All students who had entered the competition received a small award, and much to our delight Amanda McIntosh received the first prize: \$250 and two books. Amanda's poster consisted of six double sided postcards, written by a traveller in time and space about the ancient Olympics, Pierre de Coubertin starting the modern Olympics, the Berlin, Munich and Atlanta games, and finally Sydney 2000. It was a beautiful poster, with appropriate designs and information on each of the chosen cities.

Congratulations, Amanda!

Mrs I Györy LOTE Co-ordinator

GOVERNOR PHILLIP AWARDS FOR FIELDWORK

The Geography Teachers' Association of NSW promotes a Geography Fieldwork Competition among all secondary schools of NSW. The awards give recognition to our first Governor who conducted many surveys to discover and record the physical geography, and the potential land use for the supply of food for the struggling colony.

This year seven of our young Geographers received special awards at the annual GTA presentation night, for fieldwork undertaken in Years 10 and 11. The competition is divided into Biophysical and Social fieldwork. Each of the following students received a cheque, a book and a certificate:

Lucy MacDonald - winner Senior Biophysical

Kay Hetherington and Breanna Barker – Highly Commended Senior Social

Alexandra Craft – Highly Commended Junior Social

Rebecca Kidd, Julia Kidd, Elena Gray – Highly Commended Junior Biophysical.

The GTA gave a total of eight Senior awards and another eight for the Junior section. To win two Senior and four Junior awards is a fantastic result for our students. Congratulations to all girls and their teachers – Mrs Mahon and Mrs Davis.

Mr Rob Barrett HSIE Co-ordinator



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JANA PITTMAN: OUR SECOND OLYMPIAN

We all thought it was too good to be true when we heard news that Bennies had a second representative in the Olympic Games in two years. Jo Carter, "Ice Princess", was a tough act to follow, but Jana has now become a household name. Jana recently attended a whole school assembly where she thanked the College community for their support and encouragement.

Passing the Australian baton to Nova Peris-Kneebone in the 4 x 400m relay must have been one of the greatest moments in Jana's life, plus the fact that there was 110, 000 ecstatic fans engulfing her in Stadium Australia and 17 million people watching on TV (a certain 800 screaming at their sets), urging her as she ran her 400 metre dash towards Nova. This semi-final relay run was a bonus in her Sydney 2000 campaign. Jana also qualified fastest for the Ozzie team in the 400 metre hurdles. She completed the first round in the top five in her heat, only just missing out by an appeal and then a counter-appeal for a birth in the second round.

With so much on her plate the past few years, Jana deserves great credit for her organisational skills, showing commitment to school and sport and achieving personal bests in both fields. All girls would know how down to earth and Benedictine-spirited Jana is, especially considering her ability to juggle the HSC and an international athletic career. Jana will be starting her final exams in Chile whilst competing in the World Youth Games. She is currently world champion in the 400 metre hurdles event.

Jana is a great role model for any student and we are truly grateful towards Jana for letting the College community share her Olympic dream. We wish her every success in her bid for future Olympics.

Elena Gray, Julia Kidd and Rebecca Kidd



SPORTS REPORT 2000

What a busy year it has been for both students and staff! I did not believe that girls from Mount St Benedict were so enthusiastic about their sport. I have been told that our participation numbers continue to improve from year to year, and in this our Olympic Year it has been no exception. It is true that in all our extra-curricular sports and selection trials that more girls are becoming actively involved.

It has made my life much easier working alongside a very committed group of House Leaders. I congratulate our Year 12 captains Jackie Durham, Kylie Lynch, Jenny Cropper and Jo Cardino. Without their efforts, talent and enthusiasm our school carnivals would not have the special quality that I have only witnessed here at Mount Saint Benedict. Not forgetting our School Sports Captain, Sandra Gabrael ,who has been most supportive in my new role as Sports Co-ordinator here at the College. I specially want to thank her for her continual encouragement and knowledge of the school's sporting procedures. There has not been a time when these captains were too busy to assist me or simply to answer my, at times, very basic questions.

Students at Mount St Benedict have certainly showed their enthusiasm in participating in a wide range of extra curricular sporting activities. All competition games are played during a week night or on weekends. Many of our students are representing our school on Saturday mornings or on Thursday nights. I have had the pleasure to watch many games this year and I am impressed with their competitive attitude, skills, discipline and good sportsmanship.

During Term 1, girls were busy playing Softball at Dural and Basketball at the Hills Centre. In Terms 2 and 3 (winter competition) a large number of girls were involved in the Netball season at Pennant Hills Park, Hockey with the North Shore Girls Hockey Association, Soccer at Gladesville and Basketball at Hills. Finally in Term 4, girls begin the 2000-2001 Softball competition, Parramatta Touch Football is up and running and Summer Basketball begins. Mount St Benedict Sport is all about participation, catering for all levels of skill. Many of our teams were lucky to reach the semi finals and finals in their chosen sport. Congratulations to these students and to the students who were awarded special awards. Your dedication and



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consistent effort have not been unnoticed. A special thankyou to all our coaches, managers and supporters, your commitment and dedication to College Sport is most appreciated.

Mount St Benedict College is an active member of the Broken Bay Diocese Sporting Association. Girls are selected to compete in various carnivals throughout the year. Some of these carnivals give our students the opportunity to be selected for NSWCCC and then to NSW All Schools in their chosen sports. Many of our students are especially talented and this year our selection into the Broken Bay Representative Team, competing at state, has seen the greatest number yet. In swimming, Ashlev-Amy Gillies, Jackie Durham and Naomi Farrall were selected and performed exceptional times in their selected events. Kristy Morison was also selected however she was unable to compete due to her outstanding winning efforts at Nationals in Perth. Rosemary Pullen also competed in NSWCCC Diving Championships.

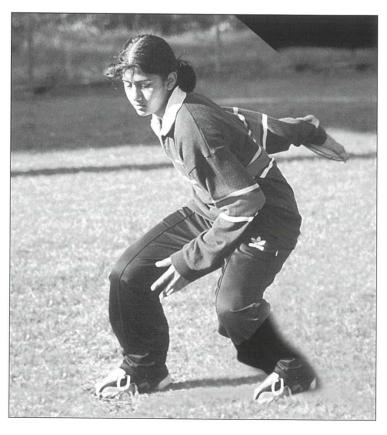
In Cross Country, Claire Broomfield, Tamara Fahim, Sarah Waldron, Stephanie Miller, Nicole Tripolone, Elena Gray, Naomi Farrall, Julia Kidd, Ciara Tapia and Jenny Cropper represented Broken Bay at NSWCCC at Eastern Creek. Finally in the Athletics selection (our biggest team yet!) the following girls were selected: Christine Stewart, Elena Gray, Ciara Tapia, Rekha Mathew, Lana Jeavon-Fellows, Erin Vallely, Nicole Tripolone,

Sarah Waldron, Jemma Cornius and Rebecca Kidd. In Touch Football Rebecca Kidd, Julia Kidd, Vanessa Maroon and Nicole Alldis were selected. A very successful Broken Bay Softball Team, winners of the NSWCCC Trophy, had Bronwyn Lansley and Anna Cross as two of their key players.

What is House Spirit? What is school spirit? To answer these questions you just need to attend the Annual Swimming and Athletics Carnivals. This year the Olympic Spirit was alive, especially with the number of participants swimming at the Sydney Aquatic Centre. The feeling of wonder as you stood on the same blocks as Susie O'Neil and Ian Thorpe during the games in September. The cheering and the enthusiasm was fantastic! The colour, spectacular. The Tabloid Style Athletics Carnival was again a great success with all students jumping, running, throwing and not to mention eating sausage sandwiches throughout the day. Congratulations to all participants, place-getters and special award recipients.

Congratulations to Jana Pittman on her success at the Olympic Games – how proud we are of her achievements! To all our future Olympians – "You have to practise everything that you want. If you can see it, you definitely can accomplish it!" Maurice Greene World 100m Champion.

Miss Naomi Goodwin Sports Coordinator.



SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2000 SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL AQUATIC CENTRE

Carnival Results

RECORDS BROKEN:

Kristy Morrison (15 Years 50m Freestyle 29.51, 50m Backstroke 34.61, 50m Breastroke 36.45, 200m Medley 2.43.87),

Naomi Farrall (17 years 50m Freestyle 29.35, 50m Breastroke 38.53, Open Invitation 29.42).

HOUSE CHAMPIONS

1st Maredsous 2nd Subiaco

3rd Terracina

4th Monte Cassino

WAR CRY

1st Maredsous 2nd Terracina 3rd Monte Cassino 4th Subiaco

JUNIOR RELAY

1st Maredsous 2nd Terracina 3rd Subiaco 4th Monte Cassino

INTERMEDIATE RELAY

1st Subiaco 2nd Monte Cassino 3rd Terracina and Maredsous

SENIOR RELAY

1st Maredsous 2nd Subiaco 3rd Terracina 4th Monte Cassino

SCHOOL CHAMPIONS

1st Equal Place Naomi Farrall and Kristy Morrison 2nd Jackie Durham

JUNIOR CHAMPIONS

1st Alyssa Baker 2nd Lisa Dunlop 3rd Adele Tumminello

INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONS

1st Kristy Morrison Equal 2nd Amanda McIntosh, Grace Smith

SENIOR CHAMPIONS

1st Naomi Farrell 2nd Jackie Durham 3rd Alexandra Craft

FREESTYLE 50 METRES

12 Years Lisa Dunlop 13 Years Alyssa Baker 14 Years Grace Smith 15 Years Kristy Morrison 16 Years Katelyn Donnelly 17 Years Naomi Farrall Invitation Naomi Farrall

BREASTROKE 50 METRES

12 Years Claire Broomfield 13 Years Emma Pitts 14 Years Grace Smith 15 Years Kristy Morrison 16 Years Alexandra Craft 17 Years Naomi Farrall

BACKSTROKE 50 METRES

12 Years Claire Broomfield 13 Years Jemma Cornius 14 Years Grace Smith 15 Years Kristy Morrison 16 Years Laura Friery 17 Years Jackie Durham

JUNIOR BUTTERFLY Adele Tumminello INTER BUTTERFLY Kristy Morrison SENIOR BUTTERFLY Naomi Farrall

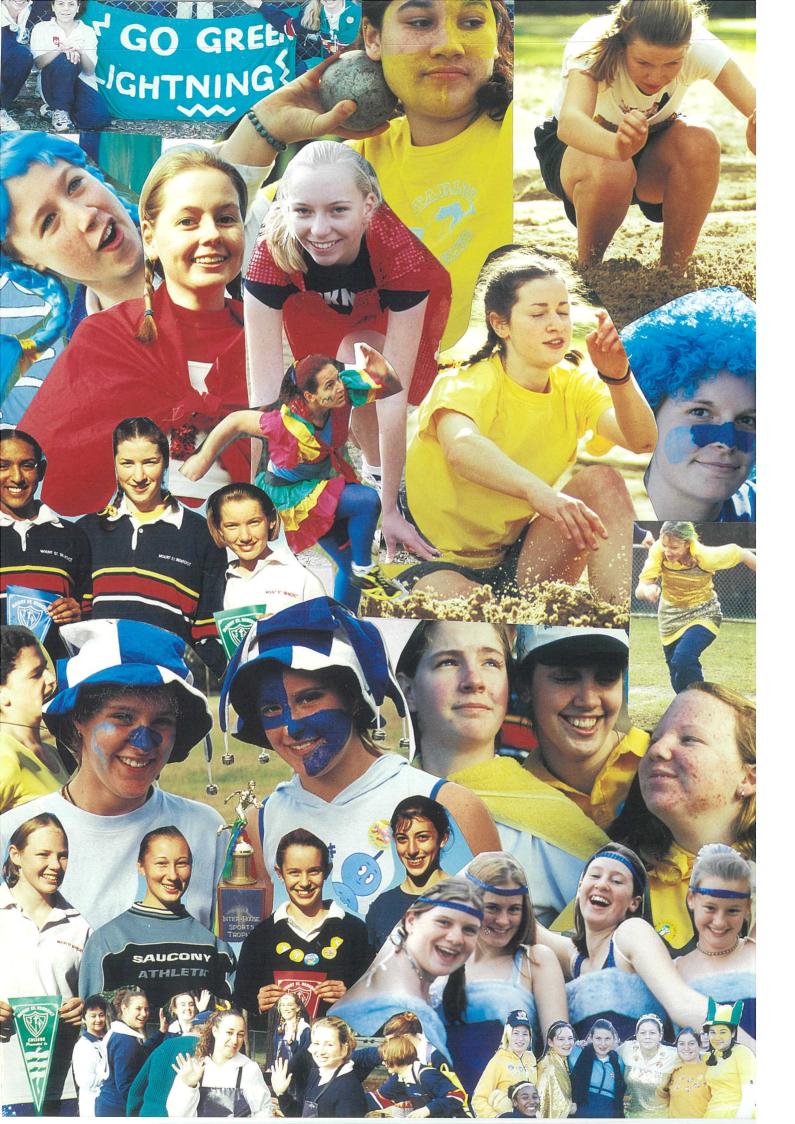
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JUNIOR 200m FREESTYLE Alyssa Baker INTER 200m FREESTYLE Kristy Morrison SENIOR 200M FREESTYLE Naomi Farrall

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ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2000 Pennant Hills Park

CARNIVAL RESULTS

HOUSE CHAMPIONS

1st Subiaco 2nd Terracina 3rd Monte Cassino 4th Maredsous

SCHOOL CHAMPIONS

1st Rekha Mathew 2nd Christine Stewart 3rd Stephanie Miller

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Rekha Mathew 2nd Stephanie Miller 3rd Tamara Fahim

INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Nicole Tripolone 2nd Sonia Train 3rd Tonneal Rush, Amanda Kish

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Christine Stewart 2nd Sandra Gabrael 3rd Katrina Huxley

RELAYS 4x 50M

Junior: Terracina Intermediate: Subiaco Senior: Terracina

INVITATION 100m

Junior: Rekha Mathew Intermediate: Tonneal Rush Senior: Christine Stewart

1500m

Stephanie Miller

100m

12 Years: Rekha Mathew 13 Years: Nadine Cejka 14 Years: Aisling Kennedy 15 Years: Tonneal Rush 16 Years: Lauren Burt 17 Years: Christine Stewart

200m

12 Years: Rekha Mathew 13 Years: Stephanie Miller 14 Years: Sonia Train 15 Years: Tonneal Rush 16 Years: Katrina Huxley 17 Years: Christine Stewart

400m

12 Years: Rekha Mathew 13 Years: Stephanie Miller 14 Years: Sonia Train 15 Years: Nicole Tripolone 16 Years: Lauren Burt 17 Years: Christine Stewart

800m

Junior: Sarah Waldron Intermediate: Nicole Tripolone Senior: Jenny Cropper

LONG JUMP

12 Years: Rekha Mathew13 Years: Stephanie Miller14 Years: Julia Deabill15 Years: Nicole Tripolone16 Years: Rachel Macumber17 Years: Christine Stewart

JAVELIN

12 Years: Lana Jeavon-Fellows 13 Years: Jemma Cornius 14 Years: Elizabeth Nadwie 15 Years: Anna Cross 16 Years: Catherine Johnson 17 Years: Jennifer Nangle

DISCUS

12 Years: Rekha Mathew 13 Years: Emma Fayyad 14 Years: Sarah Herring 15 Years: Amanda Kish 16 Years: Erin Vallely 17 Years: Sandra Gabrael

SHOT PUT

12 Years: Rekha Mathew 13 Years: Kate Aubusson 14 Years: Larissa Duff 15 Years: Anna Cross 16 Years: Erin Vallely 17 Years: Sandra Gabrael

HIGH JUMP

Junior: Katherine Bacha Intermediate: Rachel White Senior: Elena Gray

PACIFIC SCHOOLS' GAMES

May was to be a big month for the 20 girls that danced in the Pacific School Games Opening Ceremony. For some of us this was to be the biggest dance production in which we would perform. Many rehearsals and practises interrupted our Easter Holidays, but it all payed off on the day of the performance. Seeing the stadium full of people made everyone excited. We were lucky to be part of the Opening which was to be known as the biggest school performance in the world. It included 10,000 school performers, accompanied by a 4,000 piece choir. I know we all enjoyed it and were excited to be a part of history.

JUBILEE 2000

The Broken Bay Jubilee 2000 Mass was one of the many large performances in which girls from Mount St Benedict were able to participate. Again, this was something we will never forget. We had the chance to work with Gail Marbo who taught us contemporary Aboriginal Dance. Once more our weekends were interrupted by rehearsals and practices but this proved beneficial as this time we had our whole school behind us. That really made the performance worthwhile. Thanks everyone!

NRL GRAND FINAL

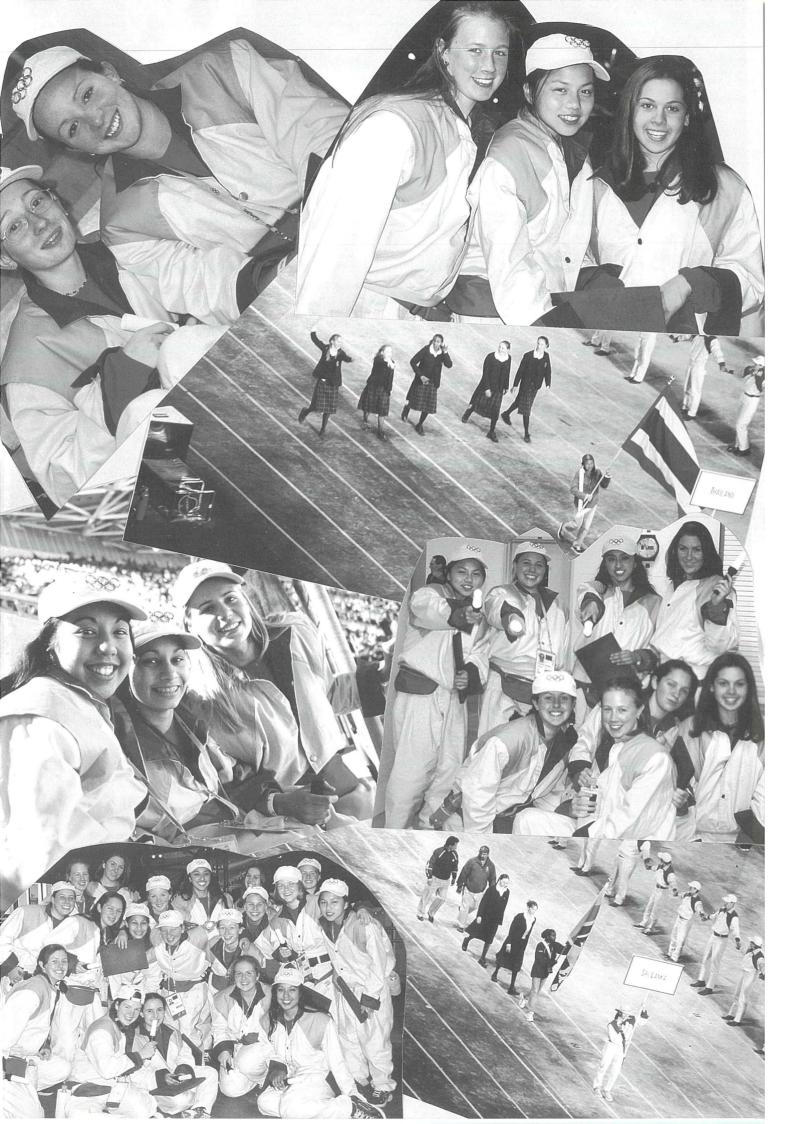
While Australia was sitting down to watch the Broncos vs the Roosters, the Senior Dance Ensemble was getting ready to perform in the pre-entertainment at the NRL Grand Final. Our segment was dedicated to Retiring Players and Great Players of the Past, and we were very proud to perform. We were also excited to dance at Stadium Australia in the lead up to the Olympics and have a huge crowd cheer and support us. We will never forget it.

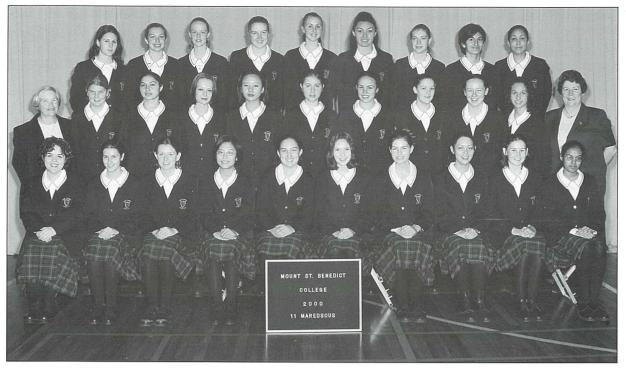
OLYMPIC GAMES

About 40 girls had the privilege to be involved in the Opening and Closing Ceremonies for the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games. Although rehearsal times and venues kept changing, nothing could deter our enthusiasm and excitement to make history. The Bennies "Athlete Stand-ins" participants danced, rather than walked in the Athletes' Parade, drawing great attention and applause from the amused crowd. Many students were featured on the big screen or rubbed shoulders with celebrities backstage. The atmosphere was electric on both nights and we were very grateful, as well as thrilled, to be a part of the Best Olympic Games EVER!

I think I speak for everyone when I say that all these exciting and unforgettable experiences would not have been possible if it wasn't for the support of a lot of people. Firstly, thanks to the school for giving us the chance to be involved in such big productions. Also, to the parents who helped us get to and from rehearsals, and the parents who supervised us. But most of all, Mrs Earp, who made a lot of girls part of history, making their dreams come true. Your enthusiasm , effort and dedication allowed us to try something new and exciting. You did a great job. THANK YOU!

Kerri-Anne Copperfield and Allanah Campton





THIRD ROW:

Melissa Hughes, Sarah Snelgrove, Elena Gray, Megan Bate, Katarzyna Sujecki,

Caroline Davoren, Dayna Bacon, Sayna Rezainia, Shakira Ali.

SECOND ROW:

Mrs I Gyory, Sarah Johnstone, Joanne Francis, Danielle Bicopoulos,

Fiona Moon, Catherine Johnson, Ciara Tapia, Karen Morgan, Simone Catorall,

Alexandra Nadwie, Mrs K Whowell.

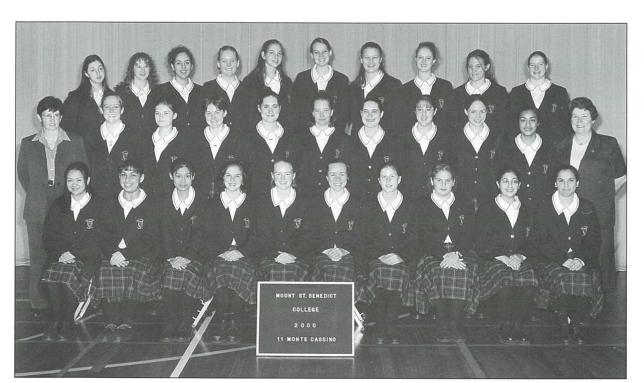
FRONT ROW:

Laura Carlino, Antonia Calabro, Lauren Stonnill, Rachel Kung, Natalie Strgar, Sarah Caruana, Caroline Ebert, Natasha Fairs, Susan Pronk, Tanya Kurukulasuriya.

Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair

00-086

11 Maredsous



THIRD ROW:

Joan Habkouk, Melissa Hargreaves, Belinda Habkouk, Emma Hogan, Katie Rudolph,

SECOND ROW:

Katheryn Baggs, Jacqueline Lees, Olivia Blumire, Jacqueline Potter, Joanne Paul. Dr M King, Lauren Ford, Imelda Shankland, Rebecca Streithorst, Marianne Trees,

Shannon Bailey, Katherine Trees, Danielle Kurukchi, Rebecca Coulton,

FRONT ROW:

Czarina Flores, Nicole Kaldas, Rowena Hau, Brianne Wynen, Nicole Inch,

00-086

Sarah O'Brien, Belinda Roberts, Amanda Fahim, Catherine Coorey, Anthea Mammoliti.

11 Monte Cassino Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair

Shruti Sachdeva, Mrs K Whowell.



THIRD ROW: Diane Butfield, Rebecca Kidd, Lena Habkouk, Samantha Rush, Naomi Farrall,

Bernadette Windeyer, Sarah Perkins, Veronica Miccoli, Rachel Sutton, Sandra Hakim.

SECOND ROW: Mrs M Dudley, Katie Marks, Nerida Wong, Laura Bond, Corinne Roberts,

Kelly Woomack, Kelly Gaffney, Brenna Tullett, Julia Kidd, Nicole Hunt,

Mrs K Whowell.

FRONT ROW: Crystal Moloney, Michaela Youn, Kim Trinh, Alexandra Craig, Selina Vartanian,

Nicole Charles, Linda Rapisarda, Shirley Yu, Gabrielle Craig, Larissa Milne,

Georgette Youakim.

00-086 11 Subiaco Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair



THIRD ROW: Stephanie Worrall, Christine Stewart, Neridah Smith, Ashleigh Grice, Kristen Doring,

Kellie McDonald, Elizabeth Noney, Nicole Freer.

SECOND ROW: Ms V Hatezic, Genevieve Wiley, Mary Macaluso, Rhonda Hanna, Belinda Knipler,

Kate Thomson, Rebecca Watson, Mrs K Whowell.

FRONT ROW: Selina Cauchi, Helen Katsoulis, Alex Craft, Maree Mouhayet, Maxine Fung,

Katherine Benson, Roslyn Farrugia, Erin Rhone, Belinda Lee.

00-086 11 Terracina Principal: Ms Helen Sinclair

YEAR ELEVEN

Those of us who decided to continue on with our schooling, at this much loved school, were cheering when we began year 11, we thought we were so cool to be seniors! After being a junior all these years and being bossed around by seniors, we were finally old enough to use the senior toilets and line up in the senior line for the canteen, we were rejoicing! We could now boss.....I mean help the juniors, it was more like a school dream come true, but we soon woke up and realised that school was more than just creating unforgettable memories with your friends and actually "getting along" with your teachers, but more, so Year 11 was filled with assessments, you hand in one, you receive two back!

We also thought we were very trendy in our senior uniform, with our white blouses and funky purple skirts......I think if people saw a group of us girls together they'd probably think we were a bunch of runaway nurses.

Some events in Year 11 that are being, or have already been held, are the Hospitality Work Placement, the Legendary Retreat, the Social to celebrate the end of Preliminary Exams, and MSB Day, which was held at Arcadia. It was the first time many of those suburban girls had even heard of that rural suburb. We went there for an hour and went back to school again, - 'good old rain', the suburban chicks were thinking!

Who could forget the heart touching and tear provoking speeches, that were written by all the talented Year 11s of 2000 ?! These speeches made us cry, think, thoroughly think, laugh, laugh a little more.....then cry from too much laughter. Katie Marks made it to the final round and went on to be highly

commended in the Regionals, which was fantastic! A lot of people put much thought and effort into their speeches, and listening to the finals, it was definitely worth it!

Kate Thomson was entered in the Student of The Year Competition as our MSB representative and won the district round, coming 3rd in the state. Good on Ya!

No matter how much we try, we never seem to be able to get to class on time! We even plan to leave just before the bell, but we find ourselves so involved in our pointless, yet important conversations that we don't hear the bell go. When we finally get to class, we seem to have a constant reminder, by our much loved teachers, that the HSC is only around the corner - as if we had no idea what we were at school for!

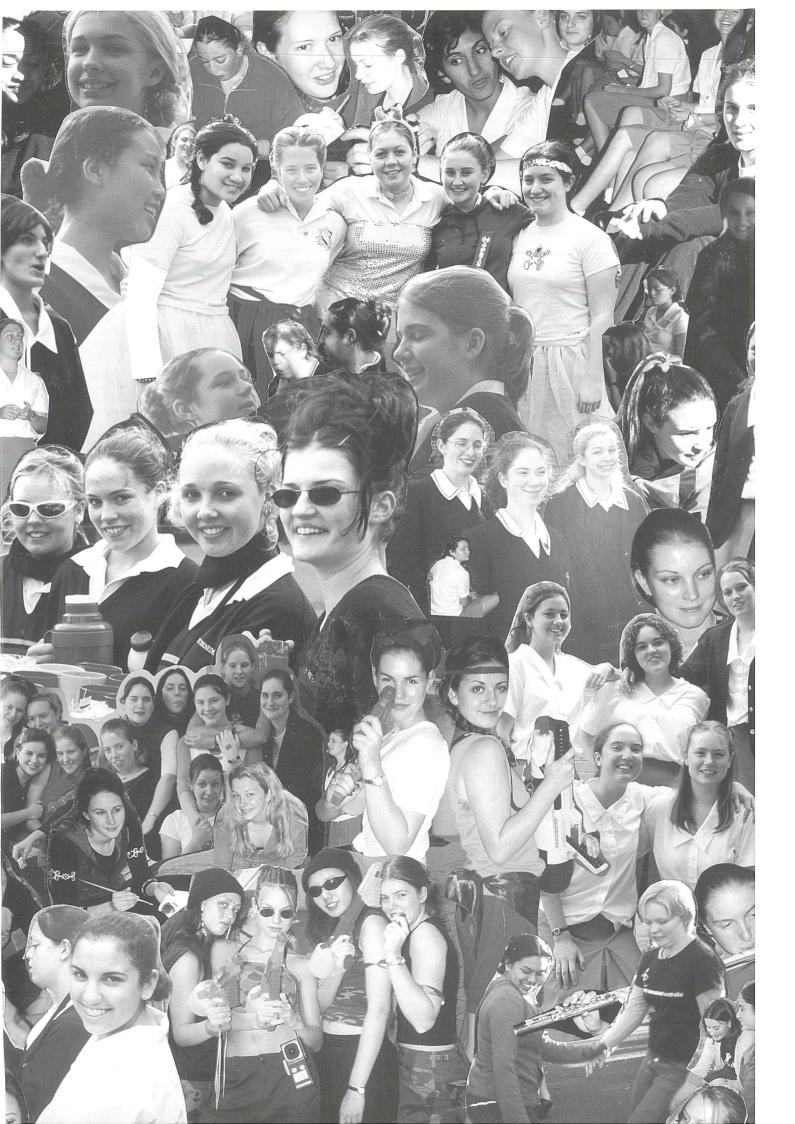
Year 11, not only as a grade, or group, but as a team are very enthusiastic and dedicated, and St Vincent de Paul, Mock Trial, Debating and the Yearbook Committee are just a few of the fantastic groups that have formed in Year 11.

Year 11 of 2000 would not be complete without the wonderful Mrs. Whowell, who encourages, guides, and somehow gets up half an hour early every Wednesday morning for assembly. This same lady who is trying to wake up we sleepy Year 11s ...and she seems to always be as bright as ever. What astounds me is how she can control over 100 girls with one glare! She is amazing!

Year 11 of 2000 can only be summed up by one word - legendary!

We Rock!

Belinda Knipler



YEAR TEN 1999

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE

SEMESTER TWO, 1999

RELIGION

Antonia Calabro Christine Stewart Sarah Caruana Sarah Perkins Maxine Fung Shruti Sachdeva

ENGLISH

Antonia Calabro Laura Carlino Kathryn Marks

MATHEMATICS

Advanced

Kim Trinh

Antonia Calabro Intermediate

Lauren Sparkes

Stephanie Worrall

Standard

Belinda Knipler

SCIENCE

Erin Rhone

HISTORY

Antonia Calabro

GEOGRAPHY

Alexandra Craft

ASIAN STUDIES

Maxine Fung

COMMERCE

Simone Cattorall

LANGUAGES

French

Antonia Calabro

Italian German Antonia Calabro

Japanese

Susan Pronk Katie Marks

DESIGN and TECHNOLOGY

Alexandra Craft

FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Stephanie Worrall

CREATIVE ARTS

Visual Art

Genevieve Wiley

Katarzyna Sujecki

Music

Belinda Lee

Drama

Ashleigh Grice

Dance

Crystal Moloney

PD H PE

Christine Stewart Julia Kidd

Kate Thomson

Elizabeth Noney

Jacqueline Potter

BASKETBALL



Under 14 Basketball



Under 15/1 Basketball



Under 15/A Basketball



Under 16 Basketball

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BASKETBALL



Under 17 Basketball Summer



Under 17 Basketball Winter

HOCKEY



Hockey - Team 1



Hockey – Team 2

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NETBALL



Under 12/5 Netball



Under 13/2 Netball



Under 13/3 Netball



Under 13/4 Netball

NETBALL



Under 13/5 Netball



Under 14/1 Netball



Under 14/2 Netball



Under 14/4a Netball

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NETBALL



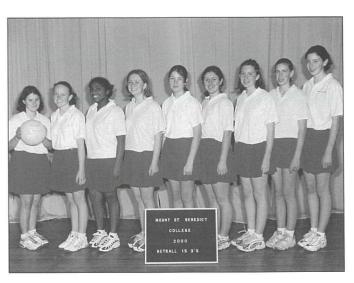
Under 14/4b Netball



Under 15/1 Netball

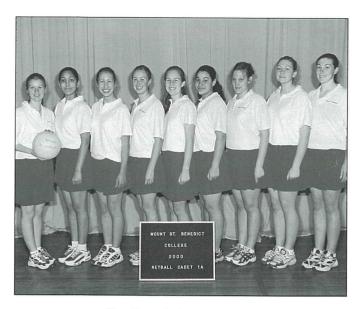


Under 15/2 Netball



Under 15/3 Netball

NETBALL



Cadet 1A Netball



Cadet 1B Netball



Cadet 3/3 Netball



Cadet 3/4 Netball

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NETBALL SOFTBALL



Cadet 4 Netball



Division 1 Softball



Division 3/A Softball



Division 3/B Softball

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TOUCH FOOTBALL



Parramatta Junior Team



Parramatta Intermediate Team



Parramatta Senior Team

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SOCCER



Under 16 Soccer



Senior Representative Soccer



Intermediate Representative Soccer



Junior representative Soccer



Junior Touch Football



Intermediate Touch Football

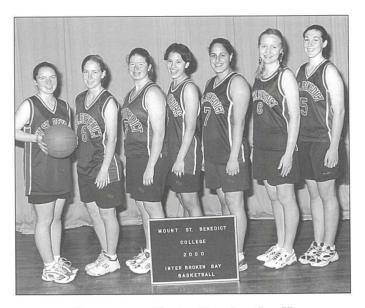


Senior Touch Football

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Junior Basketball



Intermediate Basketball



Senior Basketball

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Cross Country



Athletics



Swimming

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Intermediate Netball



Senior Netball

YEAR 12 AWARDS 2000

DUX OF MOUNT ST BENEDICT	Andrea For
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP AWARD	Grace Chuck
CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE	
1 Unit Studies of Religion Andrea For 2 Unit Studies of Religion	2 Unit Chemistry Andrea For 2 Unit Physics Andrea For 2 Unit Biology Lauren Horne 2 Unit Science for Life Lisa Mouhayet
2 Unit General English	2 Unit Legal Studies
2 Unit Mathematics in Practice	2 Unit Business Studies
3 Unit Mathematics	3 Unit Economics
2 Unit Modern History Ivanka Barisic 3 Unit Modern History Therese Kenny	3 Unit Food Technology Kelsey Martin 2 Unit Design & Technology Leia McGrath 2 Unit Industry Studies:
2 Unit Modern History: People & Events	Hospitality
3 Unit Ancient History Lauren Horne 2 Unit Ancient History: Personalities & Their Times Anna Brownette	(General)
1 Unit General Studies Laura Ashby 2 Unit French (General)	3 Unit Computing Studies Sindy Sulistija 2 Unit PDHPE
3 Unit French	2 Unit Visual Art
3 Unit German	2 Unit Music 1
Sportswoman of the YearJennifer CropperCitizenship AwardVanessa BrownReuben F Scarf AwardFadwa SaadCaltex 'Best All Rounder'Jaclyn DurhamHazlewood PrizeStefanie Dunnicliff	

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YEAR 12 2000



Year 12 is recognised by being identified with the HSC. However, the Year 12 of Mount St. Benedict is characterised by humour, smiles, hugs, and is identified with personal achievement.

The motto for the form is "in unity we grow stronger". This is symbolised by individual links that make a sturdy chain. It is this chain that although tightly strung at times through the year, the links have never weakened, and has provided strength all the way along the chain. The weight that is pressed upon Year 12, is borne by the form as a whole. The links are not moulded into the same shape. Each one has its bends and chips. This chain consists of links containing the different characteristics of each person.

Year 12 made the challenge of the year more enjoyable by the strong friendships with our friends, form and staff. This year has seen our girls swim their last swimming carnival, run the last 400m (ever!), attend the last MSB day, and the final Retreat. The three day Retreat was a well deserved, refreshing break for all of us. However it came with the realisation that there was little time for us to prepare for less exciting activities which lay ahead. Friendships were formed or strengthened, there was more chocolate than a Cadbury factory and there was extreme sleep deprivation, all in the name of good fun.

Indeed, this year has been amusing. Painted faces of our friends will remind us of all the "creative expertise" flowing through us, and we were permitted to release this also on the teachers, which saw us laughing at their expense for the rest of the day.

This year will be remembered by all Year 12 as the year in which we often fell apart and somehow managed to gather ourselves back together. Amid the stress, assessments, excursions and extra curricular activities our form has stayed balanced and expressed a genuine desire to achieve. Staff, friends and our tireless leader Mrs Marsh, have contributed to the success of Year 12, 2000 which will remain one of the most vivid memories for each girl in our grade.

Year 12 will not only remember all the members of Year 12 this year, but also the girls who have left our form and the impressions they have made on us. Each girl will take away a piece of every other in the grade, and this will remind us about MSB and the events which occurred there in our time.

I would hope that the friendships built at Mount St. Benedict will remain with us forever. If any student was to look back at her time spent as part of our College community, I know she would remember happy times spent among great people.

Gillian Quarmby







Tanya ABRAHAM

(Terracina) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1993 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Peer Support, 1998 Special Commendation SMH Young Writer of the Year.

Ambition: Biomedical Science What They Are Known For: "Shhhhhhhh!!", Stressing over exams when there is nothing to worry about. CHOCOHOLIC!!



Ivanka BARISIC

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995 Catholic School Debating, 1995-1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service, 1999-2000 Germany Overseas Exchange Tour, 1999 Peer Support, 1999 Mock Trial.

Ambition: Study Archaeology and travel the World. What They Are Known For: "I don't get it??.....I still don't get it!!"



Evellyn AHAL

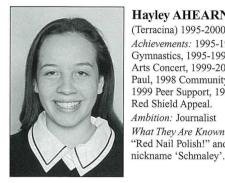
(Subicao) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1998 Rep. Football, 1995-1999 CGSSSA Athletics, 1995 Performing Arts Concert. Ambition: Aerobics Instructor and Personal Trainer. What They Are Known For: "Garbage Collector" (picking up rubbish after everybody).



Breanna BARKER

(Terracina) 1995-2000 Prefect Achievements: 1995 CGSSSA Athletics, 1995 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 SRC, 1999 St Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Year Book Committee, 1999 Oratory, 1999-2000 Amnesty International, 1999 Peer Support, 1999 SMH Oratory Competition, 1999 Pond Cleaning Committee.

Ambition: Medicine or Nursing. Travel the entire world! What They Are Known For: It's 'Bre' like the cheese.



Hayley AHEARN

Saying "Are you serious?"

(Terracina) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-1997 Rep. Gymnastics, 1995-1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1999-2000 St. Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Peer Support, 1996-1997 Red Shield Appeal. Ambition: Journalist What They Are Known For: "Red Nail Polish!" and her



Megan BEENCKE

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995 SRC, 1995-1996 Catholic Schools Debating, 1995-1999 Performing Arts Concert, 1996 Aerobics Team, 1997-2000 Rep. Football, 1998 Community Service, 1998-2000 Orchestra, 1999 St Vincent de Paul, 1999 Peer Support, 1999 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award, 1999-2000 Amnesty International. Ambition: Aerobics Instructor What They Are Known For: Radiant



Laura ASHBY

(Subiaco) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-1998 Performing Arts Concert, 1996 & 1998 Orchestra. Ambition: Accounting What They Are Known For: A good listener.



Sally BESANVALLE

Energy

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000 Prefect

Achievements: 1995-1996 Catholic Schools Debating, 1995-1997, 1995-1998 Rep Swimming, Rep. Hockey, 1996 Choir, 1997 CGSSSA Athletics, 1998 Formal Committee, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Senior Vocal Ensemble, 2000 Liturgy Committee. Ambition: Police Force- SWAT team What They Are Known For: "Sally's Stupid Calls!" and her Multi-coloured



Carmen BAJUK

(Terracina) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1996-1999 Rep. Hockey, 1995-1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Year Book Committee, 1999 Peer Support. Ambition: Hospitality Management What They Are Known For: Nicknames- 'Carmie, Shortie, Muddle'. Saying 'I told you so!'



Lauren BLECHINGER

(Subiaco) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1997-2000 Drama, 1997-2000 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service. Ambition: Fashion Designer and Body Artist. What They Are Known For: Wanting to marry someone sick, old and rich!



Emily BRISCIANI
(Maredsous) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1998 Community
Service, 1997 Red Cross Shield Appeal.
Ambition: Travel, and complete a
Vikingship recreation.
What They Are Known For:
"Remember, SMILE you're
at Pizza Hut!!"



Kerry BUCKLEY
(Terracina) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1996 Red Shield Appeal, 1998 Community Service, 1999
Amnesty International.
Ambition: Advertising Account Executive, & Bachelor of Media at university.
What They Are Known For:
Sudden Outbursts of "In The Navy"



Christine BROWN
(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1995-1996 Performing
Arts Concert, 1995-1996 SRC, 19951996 Photography, 1995-1997 Amnesty
International, 1996 Red Cross Shield
Appeal, 1998 Community Service.
Ambition: Interior Designer
What They Are Known For: All round
gorgeous and freckles rule!



Simone BUJDOSO
(Maredsous) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1995 Performing Arts
Concert, 1995 SRC,
1998 Community Service.
Ambition: Career in Business
What They Are Known For:
'Are you serious? Oh My God!'



Katrina BROWN
(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1997-1998 Catholic
Schools Debating, 1998 Community
Service, 1999 Year Book Committee,
1999 St Vincent de Paul, 1999 Mock
Trial, 1999 Good Samaritan Ministry
Outreach.
Ambition: Journalism/Criminal Law
What They Are Known For: Philosophy

that to 'view the world from another

angle is to reach wisdom' (Jewel)



Jessica BURNS
(Terracina) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1995 SRC, 1995-1996
Performing Arts Concert, 1997-1998
Liturgy Committee, 1998 Community
Service, 1999 Environment Committee,
1999 St Vincent de Paul.
Ambition: Enjoy the chosen career,
hopefully Arts/Law.
What They Are Known For: Always
happy and willing to share a laugh.
Nicknames-"Doug, Burnsie"



Vanessa BROWN
(Terracina) 1998-2000
College Vice Captain
Achievements: 1998-1999 Performing
Arts Concert, 1998 Band, 1998
Community Service, 1998-2000 Flute
Ensemble, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul,
1999 Japan Overseas Exchange Tour,
1999 MSB Day Roll Call award, 19992000 Eucharistic Minister, 2000 Liturgy
Committee, 2000 SRC.
Ambition: Nursing or Medical Profession.
What They Are Known For:
"Hey! My car's gold – NOT Brown!!!"



Jennifer CALDERON
(Monte Cassino) 1997-2000
Achievements: 1998 Community
Service, 1998 Peer Support, 1999 St.
Vincent de Paul.
Ambition: Public Relations & Marketing
What They Are Known For:
Caring, always friendly towards
people and can't stop laughing.
Quote 'Hello, my friend, be happy,
life is beautiful."



Anna BROWNETTE
(Maredsous) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1995-1997 Performing
Arts Concert, 1996 Red Shield Appeal,
1998 Overseas Exchange Tour,
1998 Community Service, 1999
President of St Vincent de Paul.
Ambition: To help people,
especially children.
What They Are Known For:
Sweat and standing up for people



Joanna CARDINO
(Subiaco) 1995-2000
Subiaco House Captain
Achievements: 1995 CGSSSA Athletics,
1995 Choir, 1995-1996 Performing Arts
Concert, 1997, 1998 Rep. Basketball, 1998
Community Service, 1999 St Vincent de
Paul, 1999 Amnesty Int'nl, 1999–2000
SRC 1999-2000 Liturgy Committee,
Formal Committee 2000, 2000 Garden
Committee, 2000 School Radio.
Ambition: Psychology
What They Are Known For: Addiction to
Chocolate Chip Muffins



Caroline CHAN

(Subiaco) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1996 SRC, 1997-1998 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Formal Committee, 1998 Community Service, 1999 St Vincent De Paul, 1999 Year Book Committee.

Ambition: Undecided
What They Are Known For:
Saying "Da Bomb!"



Jessica CRAUSE

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000 Prefect Achievements: 1995-1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1995-1997 SRC, 1999 St Vincent de Paul, 1998-1999 Canada Overseas Exchange tour, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Year Book Committee, 1999-2000 Amnesty Int'nl, 1999 Pond cleaning Committee, 1999 Roll Call award, 2000 Catholic Schools Debating, 2000 Liturgy Committee, 2000 Formal Committee Ambition: Foreign Affairs What They Are Known For: Always known as the 'funny' one! Saying witty comments 'Do you think I did it?...NO!'



Grace CHUCK

(Terracina) 1995-2000

Prefect

Achievements: 1995–1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1997-2000 Catholics School Debating, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Peer Support, 1999 Mock Trial, 1999–2000 Amnesty International, Germany Overseas Exchange Tour 1999 – 2000.

Ambition: Study at university and travel. What They Are Known For: Unco floatie dancing and being completely unco!



Jennifer CROPPER

(Terracina) 1995-2000
Terracina House Captain

Achievements: 1995 Dance Ensemble,
1995-2000 CGSSSA Athletics, 1996 Soccer,
1996-2000 Rep. Hockey, 1996-1998 Sat.
Hockey, 1996 Rep. Football, 1996-1997
Performing Arts Concert, 1996-2000 SRC,
1996-1998 Red Cross Shield Appeal, 1998
Catholic Schools Debating, 1998 Bronze
Duke of Edinburgh, 1998 Community
Service, 1999-2000 Sat. Softball.
Ambition: Sports Management/Marketing
What They Are Known For: For her laugh.
Saying "I don't get it!"



Marisol CINCUNEGUI

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000 Prefect Achievements: 1995, 1997-2000
Environmental Committee, 1996 Red Shield Appeal, 1997-1998 Streamwatch, 1998 SRC, 1998–1999 Rep. Tennis, 1998-2000 Catholic Schools Debating, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Peer Support, 1999 Year Book Committee, 1999 Mock Trial, 1999-2000 Germany Overseas Exchange Tour.

Ambition: Science/Engineering/Travel What They Are Known For: "I will survive!", "Starisshy loves you!!", "EEEExcellent"



Fiona DAVIES

(Subiaco) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995 Environmental Committee 1995-2000 Performing Arts Concert, 1996 Amnesty International.

Ambition: Study Anthropology

What They Are Known For: Being a professional 'Weirdy!'...

"God bless the fools who still have the spirit to Rock 'n' Roll, Badly"



Michelle COKER

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1996 Rep. Gymnastics, 1996 CGSSSA Athletics, 1996 Red Shield Appeal, 1996 MSB Day Tournament of Minds, 1998-2000 Formal Committee, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Japan Overseas Exchange Tour, 1999 Peer Support.

Ambition: Information Technology

What They Are Known For:

'Stating the Obvious' and having individual music and T.V interests.



Gillian DAY

(Maredsous) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995 Rep. Swimming, 1995-1996 Rep. Gymnastics, 1996
Catholic Schools Oratory, 1997 Drama, 1998 Community Service, 1999
St. Vincent de Paul, 2000 Formal Committee.

Ambition: Study Psychology
What They Are Known For: "What?
What? I don't get it! I'm not Lebanese!".
"I wouldn't know, I wasn't invited".



Alexis COLLINS

(Terracina) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995-1997 Rep. Netball, 1996 Rep. Basketball, Rep. Swimming, 1996-1998 Community Service, 1999 Year Book Committee.

Ambition: Criminologist



Mariarosa DiCOSTANZO

(Terracina) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995-1997 Liturgy
Committee, 1995-2000 Performing Arts
Concert, 1995-1997, 1995-1998 Choir,
1995-2000 Vocal Ensemble, 1996
Amnesty International, 1998 – 1999
Catholic Schools Debating.
Ambition: To be successful and happy
What They Are Known For:
Unsuccessful history with chocolate
a.k.a. 'The Cadbury Kid'



Joanne DINEEN

(Subiaco) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995-1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1995-2000 Rep. Netball 1997 Rep. Volleyball,

1998 Community Service.

Ambition: Fashion Designer

What They Are Known For: Shopping



Prudence ENGEL

(Terracina) 1995-2000 Prefect Achievements: 1995-1999 Rep. Netball, 1996 Red Shield Appeal, 1996-1997 SRC, 1996-1999 Catholics School Oratory, 1997-2000 Performing Arts Concert, 1997 Rep. Netball, 1998 Community Service, 1998-1999 Rostrum Voice of Youth, 1999 Peer Support, 1999-2000 German Overseas Exchange Tour.

Ambition: Speech Pathology and travel the world.

What They Are Known For: "Snappy Tom!" and "I'm a light sleeper"



Alexandra DORIA (Subiaco) 1999-2000 Ambition: To manage a hotel successfully



Monique FERMIN

(Terracina) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995-1996 Catholic
Schools Debating, 1995-2000
Performing Arts Concert, 1996 Red
Shield Appeal, 1997-1998 Rep. Hockey,
1997-2000 Drama, 1998 Community
Service, 1998-1999 Flute Ensemble,
1999 Rep. Soccer, 1999-2000 German
Overseas Exchange Tour.

Ambition: To be successful in whatever I choose to do, and to follow my dreams. What They Are Known For: Pointless stories and for having the 'German girl'.



Stefanie DUNNICLIFF

(Maredsous) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995-1996 Performing
Arts Concert, 1998 Catholic Schools
Debating, 1998 Community Service,
1999 Environmental Committee, 1999
St. Vincent de Paul, 1999 Year Book
Committee, 1999 Rep. Basketball

Ambition: Hotel Management/Law
What They Are Known For: Nickname:
Stennie/Dug. Saying "Oh, he's so for
you!"



Andrea FOR

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000 Prefect Achievements: 1995-1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1995, 1997 Rep. Netball, 1995-2000 Catholics School Debating, 1996 SRC, 1996 Red Cross Shield Appeal, 1998 Community Service, 1998-2000 Amnesty International, 1999 St Vincent de Paul, 1999 Year Book Committee, 1999 Peer Support, 1999-2000 Mock Trail. Ambition: Undecided

Ambition: Undecided
What They Are Known For:
Being really quiet!



Jaclyn DURHAM

(Maredsous) 1995-2000 Maredsous House Captain Achievements: 1995-1998 Rep. Netball, 1995-2000 Rep. Swimming, 1995-1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1996 Rep. Football, 1996 Rep. Athletics, 1998 Community Service, 1998 – 1999 Rep. Soccer, 1998-2000 SRC, 1999 Peer Support, 1999 CCC Swimming, 2000 Drama.

Ambition: Decide on a career path and have a happy life.

What They Are Known For: Couldn't be mean even if she tried!



Jacqueline FORKER

Ambition: Travel the world and become a successful millionaire.

What They Are Known For: "Up there for thinking, down there for dancing" and "How do you spell"



Natalie EBERLE

(Maredsous) 1999-2000

Achievements: 2000 Formal Committee.

Ambition: Degree in German and International Business

Management/Commercial Law.

What They Are Known For:

Ambitious, good listener, strong character.



Kate FREYBURG

(Maredsous) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995-1996 Performing
Arts Concert, 1995-1997 Environmental
Committee, 1996 Red Cross Shield
Appeal, 1996 Band, 1998 Community
Service

Ambition: Multimedia or Business What They Are Known For: "Moo"



Sarah FULLER (Maredsous) 1997-2000 Achievements: 1997-1998 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service. Ambition: Travel



Joanna GOCKING (Maredsous) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995 SRC, 1995-1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service, 1999-2000 Germany Overseas Exchange Tour. Ambition: Tourism, and Travel Europe. What They Are Known For: 'Did you watch...', '..ummmm'



Sandra GABRAEL (Monte Cassino) 1995-2000 College Sports Captain Achievements: 1995 Environment Committee, 1995-1996 Rep. Volleyball, 1995-1996 Rep. Gymnastics, 1995-1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1995, 1996, 1999 Gym Club, 1995-1999 Cross Country, 1995-1999 Catholic Schools Debating, 1995-2000 CGSSSA Athletics, 1995-2000 Open Day, 1996-1997 Rep. Hockey, 1997 Rep. Basketball, 1997 CCC Soccer, 1998 Formal Committee, 1998 Graduation Committee, 1998 Winter Sleep Out, 1998 Community Service, 1999, Monte Cassino Vice Captain, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1999 Year Book Committee. 1999 Peer Support, 1999 Mock Trial, 1999-2000 Rep. Football, 1999-2000 Liturgy Committee Ambition: Information Technology or

What They Are Known For: My Quotes,

my hair, and out going performances.



Schools Debating, 1995-1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Peer Support. Ambition: Law/Business What They are Known For: Nickname: Gogs. Saying 'Huh? What? I don't get it?'. Always laughing, dopey.

Achievements: 1995-1999 Rep. Hockey,

1999 Rep. Basketball, 1998 Catholics

Laura GOGGIN

(Maredsous) 1995-2000



Claire GAUGHAN (Maredsous) 1999-2000 Achievements: 1999 Rep. Swimming, 1999 CGSSSA Swimming, 1999 Performing Arts Concert, 1999 Environmental Committee. 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1999 Community Service, 2000 Amnesty International, 1999-2000 Dance Ensemble, 1999 Ministry Outreach. Ambition: Pharmacy What They Are Known For: The one who is always cheerful, vibrant, and full of life.

Sports Medicine.



Angela GRAHAM (Terracina) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995 Cavey Club, 1995-1997 Photography, 1995-1998 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Peer Support, 1998 Orchestra. Ambition: Public Relations/Advertisement Management What They Are Known For: Favorite Quote - 'Punk in Drublic'. Extremely warm and friendly.



Carla GRIFFITHS (Terracina) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-2000 Rep. Netball, 1995-1996 CGSSSA Athletics, 1995-2000 Performing Arts Concert, 1995-1997 Environmental Committee, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Peer Support, 1996-1998 Orchestra, 1995-1996 Choir, 1998-1999 Flute Ensemble, 1995-1996 Vocal Ensemble, 1998-2000 Duke of Edinburgh. Ambition: Undecided What They Are Known For: Cheery, bubbly, but stress nature.



Rebecca GILLIES (Maredsous) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995 Rep. Basketball, 1995-1996 Rep. Gymnastics, 1995-1997 Catholics School Debating. 1995-1998 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Rep. Football, 1999 Peer Support. Ambition: Occupational Therapy What They Are Known For: "Blonde is Good!"



Bahija HABKOUK (Subicao) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community Service. Ambition: Successful Business women. What They Are Known For: Being Loud! "Hey, Hey, Hey, whatz up?'



Suzanne HACKETT (Monte Cassino) 1999-2000 Achievements: 1999 Rep. Basketball. Ambition: Tourism/marketing What They Are Known For: Health freak. 'Fat Free!'. Known as the 'blonde haired girl'



(Subicao) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995-1998 Performing
Arts Concert, 1995-1998 MSB Netball
club, 1998 Winter Sleepout, 1998
Community Service, 1999 Duke of
Edinburgh, 1999 Year Book Committee,
1999 Peer Support.

Ambition: Business and travel
the world.

What They Are Known For:
Known as 'the Hooker'. Loves to talk,
is loud and outspoken.

Jacqueline HOOK



Charlene HALLAL (Subicao) 1999-2000 Ambition: Medicine/Psychiatrist. What They Are Known For: BLUE. Being called Chantel' by teachers. Personal Saying 'whooo hoooo'.



Lauren HORNE
(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1995-1996
Environmental Committee, 1998
Community Service, 1999 St. Vincent
de Paul, 1999 Peer Support, 1999 Mock
trial, 2000 Formal Committee.
Ambition: Naturopath.



(Subicao) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1997 Rep. Hockey, 1996
Rep. Basketball, 1998 Formal
Committee, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul,
1998 Community Service, 1998 Peer
Support.

Ambition: Fashion Designer
What They Are Known For:

"Hangin!'. And for being Mrs.D

(Howie D's wife from the

Backstreet boys)

Sonia HALLAL



Fiona HUGHES
(Maredsous) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1995-1996 Performing
Arts Concert, 1996-1998 Community
Service, 1995-1997 Photography,
2000 Red Cross Shield Appeal,
Cavey Club 1995.
Ambition: Business management
What They Are Known For: 'I'm the
only stick with eyeballs, okay then, bye
bye now'. 'Hi, thank you for choosing
Pizza Hut, Princess Fiona Speaking'.



Rebecca HERRING
(Terracina) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1995-1998 Performing
Arts Concert, 1998 Community
Service, 1999 Amnesty International,
1999 Peer Support, 1995 Cavy Club.
Ambition: Early Childcare teacher
What They Are Known For:
Saying from Austin Powers 'No, not
really, I can't back that up.'



Nadia IACOVELLA
(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1999 Catholic Schools
Oratory, 1995-1996 Performing Arts
Orchestra, 1998 Community Service,
1999 Peer Support.

Ambition: Manage my own
Café/restaurant.

What They Are Known For:
'tell someone who cares'



Kay HETHERINGTON
(Subicao) 1996-2000

Achievements: 1996-1998 Rep. Netball, 1996-1997 Catholics Schools Debating, 1997 Catholics School Oratory, 1996-1998 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Yearbook Committee, 2000 Amnesty International, 1999 Peer Support.

Ambition: Travel the World.

What They Are Known For:
"Hello, Sweetie – darling". 'Me? Sarcastic? NEVER!!'



Belinda IRWIN
(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1995-1998 Performing
Arts Concert, 1998-1999 Bronze/Silver
Duke of Edinburgh 1999-2000 St.
John's Ambulance, 1996-2000
Community Service, 1999 Peer
Support.
Ambition: Veterinarian
What They Are Known For:
Driving techniques, stubbornness,
'scratches' on my car.



Elizabeth JENNER

(Subjaco) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-1997 Catholics School Debating, 1996 Amnesty International, 1998 Community Service,

1999 Peer Support. Ambition: Undecided What They Are Known For: Making answers up but still sound like I know what I am talking about.



Bernadette LENNON

(Terracina) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995-2000 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service, 2000 Amnesty International, 1999 Peer Support, 1999 Mock trial. Ambition: Study Humanity and travel.

What They Are Known For:

Kind and caring nature. Willing to listen

to all. Saying 'I've got issues!



Therese KENNY

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000 Prefect Achievements: 1995-2000 Catholic Schools Debating, 1998-1999 Catholic Schools Oratory, 1999-2000 German Overseas Exchange Tour, 1998 Community Outreach, 1999-2000 Amnesty International, 1999 Mock Trial. 1998 Duke of Edinburg, 2000 Social Justice.

Ambition: Undecided What They Are Known For: 'God put me on earth to accomplish a certain number of things. Right now, I am so far behind I will never die.



Astrid LIM

(Maredsous) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-1997 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Formal Committee, 1998 Community Service.

Ambition: Career in International

business

What They Are Known For: Known as 'Ace'.



Sadia KHAN

(Terracina) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995 Performing Arts Concert, 1995 Amnesty International, 1998 SRC, 1998 Community Service, 1998 Peer Support.

Ambition: Business management



Eleanore LOVELOCK

(Subicao) 1997-2000

Achievements: 1997-1998 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 SRC, 1999 Year

Book Committee. Ambition: Public relations What They Are Known For: 'Are you wearing water proof/'



Yvonne KOBLAR

(Maredsous) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-1996 Rep. Gymnastics, 1995-1998 Performing Arts Concert, 1996-1998 Community Service, 1998 Dance Ensemble 1999 Peer Support.

Ambition: Physiotherapist/performer What They Are Known For: Skittle categorizing, colouring-in diary with pastel pens



Kylie LYNCH

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000 Monte Cassino House Captain Achievements: 1996-2000 Rep. Football, 1997-2000 Drama, 1998 Formal Committee, 2000 SRC, 1998 St. John's Ambulance, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Peer Support, 1996-1997 Choir, 1998 Vocal Ensemble, 1995 Cavy Club, Dance Ensemble 1995.

Ambition: To win an academy award for best female actor'.

What They Are Known For: Outgoing, amazingly friendly, and a wonderful singer. Quote - 'I carried a watermelon.'



Megan LANSLEY

(Subicao) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Peer Support, 1999 Vice-President St. Vincent de Paul, 1999 Ministry Outreach, 2000 Formal Committee. Ambition: Fashion and make-up designer and to travel. What They Are Known For: 'My little one!'



Lucy MACDONALD

(Subicao) 1995-2000 Prefect

Achievements: 1996-1997 Catholic Schools Debating, 2000 Liturgy Committee, 1996 SRC, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community Service, 1999-2000 Amnesty International, 1999 Peer Support, 1995-1999 Orchestra, 1999 Ministry Outreach.

Ambition: Medical Science What They Are Known For: Smiling.



Katherine MANINGAS

(Subicao) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community Service,

1999 Peer Support.

Ambition: To be successful in anything I try to pursue.

What They Are Known For: 'Comfortable-ness to the maximums'.



Nicole MEDWAY

(Monte Cassino) 1996-2000 Achievements: 1996-1998 Rep. Netball, 1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Formal Committee, 1998 Community Service, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1999 Year Book Committee, 1999 Pond cleaning committee.

Ambition: Nursing
What They Are Known For:
Saying 'Meat axe.'



Kelsey MARTIN
(Subicao) 1996-2000
Achievements:
1998 Community Service.
Ambition: Undecided
What They Are Known For: Giving
people advice. Making funny
comments about anything.



Anne-Marie MICCOLI

(Subicao) 1995-2000 College Captain Achievements: 1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Rep. Basketball, 1998-2000 Liturgy Committee, 2000 Formal Committee, 1998/2000 SRC, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1999 Year Book Committee, 1999 Amnesty International, 1999 Peer Support, 1999 AIDS Day, 1999 CANTEEN, 1999 Eucharistic Minister. 1998 Community Service.

Ambition: Tourism and law.

What They Are Known For: Kind heart, good nature, enthusiastic. Personal saying 'Don't be mean!'



Louise MAYHEW
(Terracina) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1995-2000 Performing
Arts Concert, 1998 Community
Service, 1999 Peer Support.
Ambition: Sound Editing
What They Are Known For:
Ability to make everyone smile
in any situation.



Elise MILNE

(Maredsous) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995 Rep. Netball, 1995-1998 Performing Arts Concert, 1996 Red Shield Appeal 1997 Rep. Volleyball, 1997-1998 Drama, 1998 Formal Committee, 1998 Community Service.

Ambition: Tourism/Marketing What They Are Known For: 'Miss Chatterbox' and knowing every word to every song.



Josephine MAZZACUVA
(Monte Cassino) 1998-2000
Achievements: 1998 Performing Arts
Concert, 1998 Community Service,
1999 St. Vincent de Paul.
Ambition: Business and to travel.
What They Are Known For: For having
a loud laugh, and always gossiping
and always saying 'just joking!'



Armaghan MORSHEDIZADEH

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1996 Catholics School
Oratory, 1995 Environmental
Committee, 1998 Formal Committee,
1998 Community Service,
2000 Amnesty International,
1996 Science Enrichment Program.

Ambition: CARPE DIEM! To follow
my heart and dreams and see where
they lead me.

What They Are Known For: 'Sorry It's late', 'It's spelt A-R-M-A-G-H-A-N M-O-R-S-H-E-D-I-Z-A-D-E-H'.



(Maredsous) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995 Performing Arts
Concert, 1998 Community Service,
1999 Peer Support, 1999 Duke of
Edinburgh, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul.
Ambition: Computer Graphics

What They Are Known For: Always laughing.

Leia McGRATH



Lisa MOUHAYET

(Terracina) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1998 Duke of
Edinburgh, 1999 Peer Support.

Ambition: Dance teacher/choreographer
What They Are Known For:
Being part of Sydney 2000 Olympic
games and the colour 'RED!!!'



Jennifer NANGLE
(Monte Cassino) 1999-2000
Achievements:
Ambition: Go to university and travel.
What They Are Known For: As 'one of the twins, and 'Nag Senior'.
Saying – "Cool bajewl"



Achievements: 1998 Formal Committee, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Year Book Committee, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul. Ambition: Social Worker.

Natalie OTTOLINA

(Subicao) 1995-2000

What They Are Known For: Burping.



Michelle NANGLE
(Maredsous) 1999-2000
Achievements: 1999-2000 Rep.
Basketball, 1999-2000 Performing Arts
Concert, 2000 Vocal Ensemble.
Ambition: Career in music education.
What They Are Known For:
Saying 'Morning Elvis' every music
lesson. Known as 'one of the twins'
and 'Nah junior'



Alessandra PAGNI (Maredsous) 1995-2000 Ambition: Fashion Designer What They Are Known For: Personal Saying - 'Are you insane?'



Ruth O'CONNER
(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1995-1998 Flag Raiser.
1996 SRC, 1996-1999 Performing Arts
Concert, 1996-1999 Orchestra, 1998
Community Service, 1996-1999
Orchestra, 1998 Community Service,
1998-2000 Flute Ensemble, St. Vincent
de Paul, 1999 Peer Support.
Ambition: Accounting
What They Are Known For: Being
friendly, optimistic and cheerful.



Rosalee PARRINO
(Terracina) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1997-1998 Performing
Arts Concert, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul.

Ambition: Interior Designer.

What They Are Known For: 'Huh?'
in a really high pitched,
annoying voice.



Dorothy OFIERZYNSKI
(Maredsous) 1997-2000
Achievements: 1997 Band 1997-1999
Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Formal
Committee, 1998 Community Service,
1999 Japan Overseas Exchange Tour.
Ambition: Career in Business and travel.
What They Are Known For:
'Listen....how about coffee?'



Kimberley PEARSON
(Terracina) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1996 Rep. Basketball,
1996 Catholic Schools Oratory, 1998 St.
Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community
Service, 1999 Kosovo Appeal.

Ambition: Rally Car Driver.

What They Are Known For:
'Picture me rollin'!'



Aracelli ORE
(Maredsous) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community Service.
Ambition: To travel.
What They Are Known For:
'Gizmito Lindo!!'



Sunaina PINTO
(Maredsous) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1995-1999 Catholics
Schools Debating, 1996 SRC, 1996
Catholic Schools Oratory, 1997-1999 Rep.
Netball, 1998 Formal Committee, 1998-1999 Community Service, 1999 Year Book
Committee Editor, 1999 Peer Support,
1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1999-2000
German Overseas Exchange Tour 19992000 Amnesty Int]nl, 1999-2000
Eucharistic Minster, 2000 Liturgy Committee.
Ambition: To travel the world & be happy.
What They Are Known For: Not being
scared to say what I think!



Elisa PIROZZI

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-1997 Rep. Netball, 1998 Formal Committee, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Amnesty International.

Ambition: Go to Business College and become a legal secretary or personal assistant.

What They Are Known For: An addiction to coca cola.



Cassandra RALPH

(Monte Cassino) 1997-2000 Ambition: Hospitality management/Public Relations What They Are Known For: Randall, the only 8 year old at Mount St. Benedict's.



Jana PITTMAN

(Subiaco) 1996-2000

Achievements: Selection in the 4x100m Relay and 400m Hurdles (Sydney 2000 Olympic Games)

Ambition: Medicine

What They Are Known For: Competing in the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games.



Lucy READING

(Maredsous) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1996 Rep. Netball, 1997 Rep. Football, 1995-1996 performing

Arts Concert, 1996 Choir. Ambition: Human Resource

Management



Lauren PROBIN

(Subicao) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995 Rep. Netball, 1995 CGSSSA Athletics, 1997 Basketball 1998 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service, 1998-2000 Rep. Basketball, 1999 Kosovo Appeal.

Ambition: Private Investigator. What They Are Known For: "Get ooooovvvvaaa it!!"



Suzanne REID

(Terracina) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995-1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service, 1995-1999 School Netball. Ambition: Travel and Tourism industry

What They Are Known For: Indecisions.



Gillian QUARMBY

(Maredsous) 1995-2000 Prefect Achievements: 1995-1996 Catholics Schools Oratory, 1995-1998 Performing Arts Concert, Envron'tl Committee, 1998 Formal Comttee, 1996 SRC, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Year Book 1995-2000 Rep. Netball, 1999 Softball, 1998-2000 Rep. Football, 1996 Rep. Gymnastics, 1997-2000 Catholics Schools Debating, Envron'tl Committee, 1998 Formal Comttee, 1996 SRC, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Year Book Comttee Subeditor, 1999 Peer Support. Ambition: Flight Attendant. What They Are Known For: Personal Saying 'Fire Up!'



Jennifer RIEK

(Terracina) 1998-2000 Achievements: 1998 St. John's Ambulance, 1998 Community Service,

1999 Peer Support.

Ambition: Pre-school teacher

and to travel.



Evelvne RAFFOUL

(Subicao) 1997-2000

Achievements: 1997-1998 Performing Arts Concert, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community Service, 2000 Amnesty International, 1999 Peer Support, 1997-1998 Dance Ensemble. Ambition: Law

What They Are Known For: Compassionate and friendly

towards others.



Danielle RIITANO

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-1997 Rep. Netball, 1996 Rep. Basketball, 1995-1999 Rep. Swimming, 1995-1996 Rep. Gymnastics, CGSSSA Athletics 1995-1999 CGSSSA Swimming, 1998 Community Service. Ambition: Hairdresser. What They Are Known For:

Changing her hair colour like

she changes her shirt.



Jennifer ROSARIO

(Subicao) 1998-2000

Achievements: 1998 Liturgy Committee, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Year

Book Committee.

Ambition: Journalist or Sociologist, and to travel

What They Are Known For: "Are you serious? I can't be bothered.. Are you serious? I'm so hungry...now...

I'm so full!'



Natalie SPICER

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1998, 2000 Formal Committee, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Year Book Committee, 1999 Amnesty International, 1998 School

Soccer.

Ambition: Hotel Management

What They Are Known For: Her hair and make-up. Nickname- 'Spicegirl'



Fadwa SAAD

(Subicao) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1999 Rep. Basketball, 1997 Environmental Committee, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Peer Support, 1998-1999 Rep. Soccer, 1998-1999 School Soccer. Ambition: Work in the sporting or music industry.

What They Are Known For: "Soccer is life, the rest is just details'



Sindy SULISTIJA

(Maredsous) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-1997 Environmental Committee, 1996 Red Cross Shield Appeal, 1998 Community

Service

Ambition: Master of Information

Technology

What They Are Known For: "Do you want me to hurt you?". 'I'm so smart!'.



Joanne SAADE

(Maredsous) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995-1996 Rep. Netball, 1995 Rep. Volleyball, 1995-1999

Performing Arts Concert, 1999 St.

Vincent De Paul, 1998 Community
Service, 1999 Year Book Committee, 1999 Amnesty International, 1999 Peer Support, 1995 Choir.

Ambition: Business law.

What They Are Known For: School

work, neat freak.

Caroline SURACE

(Terracina) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995-2000 Performing Arts Concert, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community Service, 1995-1998 Orchestra.

Ambition: Music

What They Are Known For:

Saying 'D' you know what I mean?'



Jessica SCIARRATTA

(Maredsous) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1996-1997 Catholic Schools Debating, 1997-2000 Drama, 1995-2000 Performing Arts Concert, 1999 Environmental Committee, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Year Book Committee, 1997-2000 Dance Ensemble.

Ambition: Primary School teacher and

to travel to Italy.

What They Are Known For: My Love for David Boreanaz – 'Angel'



Katherine SZABO

(Terracina) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1998 Community

Ambition: Multi-media Industry.



Kerusha SINGH

(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995-1999 Performing
Arts Concert, 1998 Liturgy Committee,
2000 Formal Committee, 1998
Community Service, 1999 Year Book
Committee, 1999 Official Photographer.

Ambition: Medicine and to travel.

What They Are Known For: My blue
butterfly and Inzarghi.



Amy TEASDALE

(Terracina) 1995-2000

Achievements: 1995-1998 Rep. Netball, 1996 Rep. Basketball, 1997-1998 Drama, 1998 Performing Arts Concert, 1996-1998 Community Service, 1999 Kosavo Appeal.

Ambition: Permanent Burger King Crew member.

What They Are Known For: Saying 'I am a poet and I don't know it'.



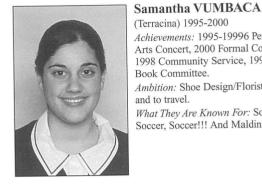
Reece THEORET (Terracina) 1999-2000 Ambition: SWOT team Leader What They Are Known For: 'The silly run'



Hannah VOZZO (Subicao) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community Service, 1995 Science Enrichment. Ambition: Law What They Are Known For: Over reacting.



Sascha TOOPITSIN (Subicao) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995 Catholic Schools Debating, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community Service. Ambition: Designer



(Terracina) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-19996 Performing Arts Concert, 2000 Formal Committee, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Year Book Committee. Ambition: Shoe Design/Florist and to travel. What They Are Known For: Soccer, Soccer, Soccer!!! And Maldini



Alexis TULLY (Subicao) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1999-2000 Germany Overseas Exchange Tour, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Year Book Committee, 1999 Peer Support. Ambition: Hotel management, travel the world and, at the end of the day, have a smile on my face. What They Are Known For: Renowned for my love of music, hot gossip and storytelling. Quote...'And this one time at band camp....'



Alexis WOOD (Terracina) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-2000 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service, 2000 Amnesty International, 1995-1999 Orchestra, 1998-2000 Flute Ensemble. Ambition: Environmentalist. What They Are Known For: Making people feel comfortable.



(Subicao) 1997-2000 Achievements: 1997 Environmental Committee, 1998 Formal Committee, 1999 Amnesty International. Ambition: To travel What They Are Known For: 'That's so 1989!', 'Oh my God! It's Hideous!'



Megan WOODWARD (Subicao) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-1998 Rep. Netball, 1996 Catholic Schools Debating, 1995-1998 Performing Arts Concert, 2000 Formal Committee, 1999 St. Vincent de Paul, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Peer Support. Ambition: Primary school teacher. What They Are Known For: Dependable and her initiative.



Vanessa VITALI (Maredsous) 1995-2000 Prefect Achievements: 1995-2000 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Formal Committee, 1998-1999 Community Service, 1998 Amnesty International, 1995-2000 Choir, 1995-2000 Vocal Ensemble, 1995-2000 Opening Mass, 1999 Roll call Award, 1999-2000 Eucharistic Minister, 1999-2000 Performing Arts Committee. Ambition: Music Education & to travel. What They Are Known For: Singing, singing, singing. Saying 'Ciao for now' and 'You're on DRUGS!'



Naomi WYATT (Maredsous) 1995-2000 Achievements: 1995-1996 Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Community Service, 1999 Peer Support. Ambition: Manage an international



Helena YEUNG
(Monte Cassino) 1995-2000
Achievements: 1997-1998 Performing
Arts Concert, 1998 Community
Service, 1999 Peer Support.
Ambition: Engineering/Technology
What They Are Known For: Quiet
achiever. Overly Modest.



Jade YOUNG
(Monte Cassino) 1996-2000
Achievements: 1996 Rep. Netball, 1996
Performing Arts Concert, 1998 Formal
Committee, 1998 St. Vincent De Paul,
1998 Community Service, 1999 Peer
Support, 1999 Kosavo Appeal.
Ambition: Music Industry.
What They Are Known For: 'The other
day I...etc...etc..blah blah...yada
yada...the point is I tied my shoelace.



Yan ZHOU
(Monte Cassino) 1995-200
Achievements: 1997-1998 Drama, 19971998 Performing Arts Orchestra, 1998
Community Service, 1998 Amnesty
International.
Ambition: Journalist for Fashion
Magazine.
What They Are Known For: Loudness,
obnoxiousness, short hair. Also tends to
be in quite a bit of trouble!

As one of the many people who have helped to put this yearbook together I would like to express my apprciation to all those who have contributed their time and effort. I would especially like to thank Mrs Dennis for all her hard work, this yearbook would never have made it to the printer if it wasn't for her. I would also like to thank all those people who came in the holidays to cut out pictures and write reports.

Marianne Trees



TRIBUTE TO MRS KERRY TEULAN 10/1/63 - 10/10/00



Mrs Kerry Teulan has been a member of staff since 1996, and prior to this, she taught at the College in two separate blocks in between raising her family of three girls, Bethany, Jessica and Emily. Sadly, Mrs Teulan passed away very suddenly on 10th October, leaving a numbed void in the College Community. She was a popular, much-loved and dedicated Religious Education teacher who will be remembered not just for her teaching skills, but also for her smile and her song and dance routines at Mount St Benedict Day concerts and staff functions.

To Martin, Bethany, Jessica and Emily we extend our support and prayers, and we thank you for allowing us to share in Kerry's life.



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