FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear members of the Avila community,

As Term 2 draws to a close I wish to thank and acknowledge all the Avila College staff who have worked tirelessly throughout the term to provide a rich and vibrant learning environment for all Avila students. I am in awe of the range of activities and time that staff give to deliver programs and events that build great capacity in our students. I would also like to thank the members of our Parents and Friends Association who have worked determinedly once again this term and supported a number of fundraising and social events on behalf of the College. I know that the BABBA night, being held early next term, will be a night of fun and enjoyment and the advice is to get in quick to purchase your tickets. (Please see details on page 10). Finally, I would like to make mention of our Avila College students, who each embrace the opportunities that are provided for them. I urge all students to carefully read their reports and take on board the comments that teachers have made about both achievements and recommendations for future learning.

It was wonderful to watch and listen to the emerging group of very talented young women and men from Avila College and Mazenod College at one of the recent Sunday morning rehearsals for the upcoming combined musical – West Side Story. The performances will be held at the Alexander Theatre, Monash University, on 23, 24, 25 and 26 July commencing at 8.00pm. For ticket sales please call 8561 1108.

I encourage all parents/guardians to read Avila’s Annual Report to the school community for 2013 now available on the College’s website. Each year Avila College undertakes a survey as part of the School Improvement Framework under the direction of the Catholic Education Office Melbourne. This year we are asking parents/guardians to volunteer to be a part of this important process. Please see further details at the end of this Newsletter.

Community news

Prayers and thoughts are extended to staff member Julie Miller following the recent death of her mother and Sally-Anne Petrie (Chair of the College Board) and her daughter Hannah (8 Orange) following the recent death of her father, Hannah’s grandfather.

A reminder to our parents/guardians that they are invited to attend our Term 3 School Assembly to be held on Friday 25 July commencing at 9am in the College gymnasium. Our guest speaker for this assembly will be former Avila student Felicity Ketelaar (nee Simons) who is now the Registry Manager at Migration Review Tribunal & Refugee Review Tribunal based in Melbourne. If you wish to attend please RSVP via email to avila@avilacollege.vic.edu.au by Tuesday 22 July. Following the assembly, parents and guardians are invited to join College staff for morning tea in the Dining Room.

I will be away attending a conference in Ontario, Canada for the first week of next term. Madeleine Franken, Deputy Principal Learning and Teaching will be Acting Principal during this time. On behalf of the Avila College staff we wish all students and their families a relaxing and restful time during the upcoming three-week break. Term 3 classes for students commence on Tuesday 22 July.

With God’s blessing to all members of our Avila community.

Louise Gunther
Principal

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PLEASE NOTE:

Due to works being carried out over the Term 2 holiday break, there will be no access into the College via the railway walkway. All visitors can access the College via Gate 2 on Charles Street.

Avila College acknowledges the Wurundjeri people, the traditional custodians of the land on which the College is built.

Giver of life, we wait with you to bear your hope to earth’s darkest places: we wait at the places where darkness is deeper than the deepest pain: where love is denied: let love break through. Where justice is destroyed: let righteousness rule.

Where hope is crucified: let faith persist. Where peace is no more: let passion live on. Where truth is denied: let the struggle continue.

Where laughter has dried up: let music play on. Where fear paralyses: let forgiveness break through.

Amen.
LEARNING AND TEACHING NEWS

Exams

Congratulations to all students in Years 9 to 12 who undertook end of semester examinations over the past few weeks. Of course, examinations are just one of many different methods used to assess each student's knowledge and ability. All exams were undertaken in the Year 12 area to accustom students with the formal conditions and environment. Students were required to observe conditions that the VCAA prescribes for senior examinations, particularly in relation to equipment permitted and the use of reading time. Whilst some students find the formality and demands of examinations quite challenging, practice in undertaking them provides a valuable learning experience for the future.

Year 9 English, Maths and Science teachers have provided feedback to their students in class. Years 10 and 11 students will receive feedback on their recent examinations via notes from their teachers with the return of exam papers next week. Of course, where a teacher continues to teach the class for the second semester, he or she will provide the feedback in class.

Results from the Years 9-11 examinations will appear on Semester 1 reports. Students who undertook the GAT are reminded that VCAA does not publish GAT results until the release of Unit 4 results in December.

Semester Reports

As advised in a previous newsletter (22 May), semester reports will become available on SIMON via the Parent Access Module (PAM) on Friday 27 June. Parents/guardians will be sent an email to alert them when reports have been finalized and uploaded. Documents explaining the codes used on the reports will also be available from a link on SIMON. Of course, students will also be able to access their semester reports from their personal profile page on SIMON.

Any parent/guardian with queries about PAM may contact the College Help Desk via email support@avilacollege.vic.edu.au or phone 9831 9634. The IT Help Desk is open each school day and IT staff will be available to respond to technical queries in the first week of the mid-year school holidays (30 June - 4 July 2014).

Semester Two

Following last year’s successful trial of a rollover of the timetable to Semester 2 in the final week of Term 2 rather than after the term holidays, this will occur again this year. From next Monday (23 June), students from Years 7 to 12 will commence their Semester 2 classes. This change has been introduced to ensure a balance in the teaching time available for each semester. It also supports rigorous learning following the conclusion of the end of semester assessment period. Furthermore, starting the new semester prior to the mid-year break enables Years 10 and 11 students undertaking VCE classes to be given an introduction to their new units of study, similar to the end of year HeadStart program. Of course, the coming holidays will offer an opportunity for some relaxation and recovery but senior students can expect that some homework will be required.

Madeleine Franken
Deputy Principal Learning and Teaching

Year 9 Geography Class see Beer, Bertie Beetles and Boards (of the surfing kind)

Last week, students of the Year 9 Lipgloss, Livelihoods and Lifestyle class visited three very different types of factories and distribution centres in order to enhance their understanding of factory processes and distribution networks.

The contrast between the three locations could not have been greater. At the CUB factory in Abbotsford, students learnt about the source of many of the raw products that make beer and watched more than 1000 bottles a minute being produced on the enormous production line.

At the Ernest Hillier distribution centre in Richmond, students were told about chocolate production and witnessed the way a “factory outlet” distributes products to the public. Samples were consumed by all, willingly!

Finally at Oke Surfboards in Braeside, students witnessed the methodical and personalised production of surfboards by a small number of employees. They learnt that Oke make only six to ten boards a week and that this is a result of the lifestyle choices that the Oke brothers have made.

Surprisingly, the only one of the three companies visited is Australian owned: Oke. This supported and demonstrated another key learning outcome of this unit of Geography, demonstrating our part in a globalised economy.

Paul Ekers
Year 9 Geography Teacher
In the past 5 weeks, Year 9 and 10 Food Technology students have been demonstrating their skills and knowledge through a variety of class tasks. The Year 10 Menu Class invited a special female guest to dinner and proceeded to impress mothers, sisters and aunts with a delicious three course meal served to elegantly set tables. Students reflected on their “fine dining” experience, the teamwork undertaken, the stress of making decisions and overall how proud they were of their efforts.

The two Year 9 Food Safari Classes engaged in a Masterchef Style Cook-Off! It was each team’s task to design a Slider (foodie talk for mini burgers). Each team then needed to prepare 64 sliders that were then served to fellow Year 9 students and staff who voted. There were a range of different cuisine styles evident across the Teams’ Recipes - Greek flavourings with lamb, olive and fetta, a touch of Hawaiian with pineapple flavoured sliders, Tandoori style with yoghurt and fetta. 448 sliders were consumed in a matter of minutes across two lunchtimes. Congratulations to The Globetrotters who were voted the most popular Slider for Semester 1.

Many thanks to the hungry staff and Year 9 students who voted and Mrs Stephens who assisted with crowd control.

Our thanks and appreciation are extended to the Food Technology Assistants, Mrs Angie Caporale and Mrs Maureen Garrecht whose support and behind the scenes work make these events happen.

Susan Rowell and Elizabeth Trembath
Food Technology Teachers

**Year 11 Business Stalls**

On the 29 of May, Unit One Business Management classes held their annual business stalls. The event was held during lunch break where there were a range of different concepts, including games and food. Overall the day was a major success and all money raised from the annual event went to a variety of worthwhile charities such as Catholic Care, Sr Fran’s Botswana Foundation and Beyond Blue.

Many local businesses from our community donated food and goods to support the event. In particular, Gippsland Dairy kindly supported one stall by donating tubs of yogurt and they also provided free delivery of their product. Due to the generosity of companies, such as Gippsland Dairy, we were able to raise just under $3000 overall, which was an incredible achievement and reflected the dedication from all involved on the day.

Special thanks goes to Mr Brendan Johnson, Mrs Elizabeth Trembath and all the staff involved. It was due to their hard work and contributions that the day was able to run efficiently and successfully.

Ashlynn Heaton
11 Green
LANGUAGES NEWS

Bonjour! Buongiorno! Selamat pagi!
Term 2 has been a busy one for the Languages department.

Language Perfect World Championships

Students in Years 7-10 participated in the Language Perfect World Championships, held 19-29 May 2014. Across this ten-day period, Avila College students answered a total of 582,601 questions in 15 languages.
122 students will receive certificates at a Year Level Assembly early in Term 3. A magnificent effort!
Revision of key vocabulary is an important aspect of language learning and students are encouraged to make use of Language Perfect at home to further develop their skills.

French Study Tour: September 2015

An Information Evening will be held on Monday 23 June at 7pm in Bunjil, for students currently in Years 9 and 10 who are interested in learning more about the French Study Tour. Avila College offers study tours in each of our three languages with the key purpose of developing students’ proficiencies in their second language. Please contact me for more information or to register your intention to attend this event.

Indonesian Exchange Students

It is anticipated that the College will welcome Indonesian exchange students early in Term 3. Our thanks are extended to the Drake family (Monique, 10 Gold), Altman family (Inalya, 10 Red) and Mokos-Lynch family (Melissa, 10 Gold) for graciously volunteering to host a student in their homes for the 6 week-long duration of their stay.
Hosting exchange students is a valuable way for our students to engage with native speakers of the language and develop their intercultural understanding. If your family would be interested in hosting a student in the future, please contact me or your daughter’s language teacher for more information.

Dante Alighieri Poetry Competition

The blustery morning of Monday 16 June saw all Year 9 Italian students compete in the prestigious Dante Alighieri Society Poetry Competition, held at the University of Melbourne. Prior to the event, we selected and memorised our poems throughout the term; everyone improved throughout the duration of the term, due to the assistance and guidance of our Italian teachers and fellow peers. All students were (no doubt) very nervous as they waited in the auditorium for their turn to recite their chosen poem. On completion of all recitals, the relief was tremendous! Following the competition, both students and teachers were rewarded with a visit to ‘Little Italy’- the renowned Lygon Street. It was a marvellous opportunity to immerse ourselves in the vibrant culture and cuisine of Italy (and additionally a great excuse to put the grammar and vocabulary that we had previously learnt, to good use). We relished a plethora of Italian sweet and savoury treats, such as gelati, cannoli and pizza (clear favourites amongst all who attended), and were moreover exposed to the effervescent culture of Italy. Returning to Avila in the afternoon, the Year 9 Italian students concluded a sensational day of polished poetry recitals, delicious refreshments, and all things Italiano!

Olivia Condina-Hibon 9 Purple

Catherine Spurritt
Curriculum Leader Languages
DEBATING NEWS
Round two best speaker awards for the junior debaters went to:
Year 8: Kate Tidswell, Alysha Wanigaratne, Talia Abboud
Year 7: Olivia Frizziero, Emma Faroone, Ixya Shrestha, Tess Martin, Clare Mc Morrow, Elena Disilvestro
CONGRATULATIONS!
Christine Valladares
Debating Co-ordinator

RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS
Book Club Competition
The most popular fiction book of the last couple of years has been ‘The Fault in our Stars’. The library has 20 copies (paperback and eBook versions) and they are never on the shelves!
This month, the Book Club decided to run a competition leading up to the release of the film. The task was to ‘Design an Alternative Book Cover for TFIOS’
Some restrictions were in place to encourage original and creative responses.
We had loads of entries, all to a wonderful standard. The judging panel had a difficult job selecting the top 6 prizewinners. Congratulations to Meg Fraser (pictured) who won first prize, to the other 5 finalists, and to all participants.
Di O’Neill
Learning Resource Centre

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PARENTS AND FRIENDS REPORT
BABBA Parent Evening, 7.30pm Friday 8 August

Cooking, cleaning, shopping, working, dropping off and picking up, it’s all part of our busy routine.

Time to treat yourself to some fun with a night out, and nothing is more fun than dancing the night away to BABBA.

To book, go to the Avila College website www.avilacollege.vic.edu.au, News and Events, Bookings. Book a table for 10 or tickets for 2. Tickets are $35 per head and it will be B.Y.O. soft drink and food. Drinks will be available to purchase on the night.

BABBA Early Bird Booking Special

All people who book tickets to BABBA by Friday 27 June will have a chance to win a glamorous wig, valued up to $100, to wear on the evening. The winner can select the wig of their choice online. Or if you would like to buy your own wig and transform yourself into Agnetha, Freida, Benny or Bjorn just go to www.wigsonline.com.au

Simply enter the keyword BABBALA to receive a 10% discount and the College will receive a 15% donation from the purchase price. We would like to thank Tony at Wigsonline for his generosity in donating the wig and 15% from each sale and for supporting the Avila community where his daughter is a student.

Staff Wellbeing Week

Avila College holds a Staff Wellbeing Week when all staff enjoy some delicious food and treats during the week. I cannot think of a more deserving staff for this and know that we, as parents, appreciate their amazing dedication and commitment to our girls. The PFA were invited to become involved and I would like to extend a special thank you to Helene Diamantopoulos who held a “Mary Kay” pamper session with a lip and hand treatment for the staff during lunchtime.

Wishing you all a very relaxing three-week holiday break and I look forward to meeting many of you at our BABBA night.

Loretta Stapleton
President, Avila College PFA

AVILA Uniform Shop News!

Please note that PSW, our school uniform suppliers, have advised that their store will be closed on Mondays during Terms 2 and 3, this year.

Opening hours at the Mount Waverley outlet will be:

Tuesday-Friday: 8:30am- 5:00pm
Saturday: 9am-2pm

However, if you need Winter uniform items, there are many second hand items in good condition available in the Avila Second hand uniform shop. There are lots of skirts, jumpers (both maroon and navy), blazers, blouses and track tops. So consider the savings before you buy!

The Avila Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open, from 1-4pm on:

23 July, 20 August, 10 September 2014.

The Second Hand Uniform Shop is located behind the VCAL House, diagonally opposite the front gates of the school. Students can visit the shop during their lunch break or after school.

If you need a second hand uniform but cannot come on the dates above, please phone the Avila Office ☑ 9831 9600 on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday mornings to arrange another time.

Alternatively, you can email vnicoll@avilacollege.vic.edu.au with any query about a second hand uniform.
MEET... THE PUBLIC SPEAKING & DEBATING CAPTAIN & VICE-CAPTAIN

Tamar Haigazian

It has been an incredible honour and privilege to be elected Avila College Public Speaking and Debating Captain for 2014 and to be given the opportunity to lead such a dedicated and passionate team. As a Public Speaking and Debating Captain since Year 10, I can safely say my position in leadership has helped me grow as a person and has given me skills and experiences that will shape me as I head in to life outside of Avila Public Speaking and Debating has been paramount to my life at the College, having had the opportunity to take part in many competitions including Rostrum Voice of Youth two years in a row, Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA), Public Speaker of the Year Competitions and DAV Debating.

I’m looking forward to continue working with Mrs Valladeres, Mrs Bunning and my fellow Captains from Year 8-12, who have made this year so memorable, and especially with Lia, my fellow Captain, who has been an absolute pleasure and honour to work with.

Evangelia Diamantopoulos

It is an honour to have been elected Vice-Captain of Public Speaking and Debating this year. I have a strong belief in the ability to convey messages and stories through the passion and power of words, and through Public Speaking and Debating I have been able to do exactly this.

What started with the compulsory class of Oral English in Year 7, has turned into years of debating and public speaking competitions, scattered over the 6 years of my Avila journey, all of which I have enjoyed profusely. Public Speaking and Debating has been an integral and rewarding aspect of my life at Avila, and outside of it. Avila has provided me with endless opportunities to have my voice heard and get involved whenever possible. It is undeniable that because of this, Public Speaking and Debating has grown to be one of my great passions in life. Whilst these experiences have assisted me immensely in my personal and social development, it has been so gratifying to see so many fellow Avilonians find their voice and passion through the power of speech over the years.

Along with my fellow captain, Tamar, I look forward to working alongside an incredible team of hardworking leaders, teachers and amazingly talented students to embrace all that Avila throws at us in the world of Public Speaking and Debating. I hope that I can do my part to inspire others in all areas of the school to be involved, and have their voices heard.

Homeless in Australia: Wanted Winter Warmers

As winter surrounds us all with rain and cold weather we are all glad to be warm and cozy in our homes. Unfortunately, this is not the case for many hundreds of Australians as they are without homes or a regular place to sleep or feel safe. These are the most vulnerable in our society.

From Monday 23 to Friday 27 June the Avila Young Vinnies has organised a Winter clothing appeal to help in some small way. All families are encouraged to make a donation of unwanted winter clothes - coats and jackets would be especially welcome. Students can bring these clothes to the old Health Centre, next to Bunjl at recess on any morning of that week.

On Friday, 27 June, there will be a casual clothes day where students can wear their casual clothes and make a gold coin donation to support the work of St Vincent De Paul Society in our community. As Give Over Get is Avila College’s theme for this year, all students are asked to make a donation of clothes to the homeless, that are in good condition, to the WWW (Wanted Winter Warmers) appeal.

Please look at the following YouTube clip for further information.
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DDfmsA8NVpQ
If your family would like to make a larger donation the following website will be of help
https://www.vinnies.org.au/donate
Roisin is off to Vegas!

Congratulations to Roisin Selvarajoo in Year 9 for qualifying for the Aerobics ANAC World Championships, which will be held in Las Vegas next month. We wish her the best for the championships.

Netball 2014 Timeline

Except for the WINT teams, training will be 3:30pm to 4:45pm on the normal training days for the respective year levels: Tuesday Juniors, Wednesday Intermediates, Thursday Seniors.

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Upcoming Trials

SOCcer & VOlleyball – Keep an eye on the bulletin, soccer and volleyball trials will be starting in the last week of the term.

Trainings

AEROBICS – trainings continue for our Aerobics teams Tuesday and Thursday mornings 7-8 am in the gym

GYMNASTICS – any student from Year 7 – 12 interested in joining the gymnastics team, training will begin on Wednesday June 18. Trainings will continue every Wednesday and Thursday afternoon from 3.30-4.30pm

HOCKEY – teams have now been selected and training continues: Juniors – Tuesday – 3.30-4.30pm Seniors – Thursday – 3.30-4.30pm

WINT NETBALL – training is underway on Monday mornings 7-8 am in the gym

ALL SCHOOLS & SCSA NETBALL – training continues:
- Juniors – Tuesday – 3.30-4.45pm
- Intermediates – Wednesday – 3.30-4.45pm
- Seniors – Thursday – 3.30-4.45pm

Upcoming Tournaments

- Aerobics State Finals – Sunday June 22, The Geelong Arena, Geelong North
- SCSA Hockey – Monday June 23, Footscray Hockey Club, Yarraville
PATHWAYS NEWS

Congratulations to all those students who have Work Experience placements for these holidays and we wish them well.

Improving the employment prospects of young Australians

What employers are telling us:
Making basic adjustments to their attitude and physical presentation is the most effective thing that many young job seekers can do to improve their employment prospects.
Work experience can be a great way to prepare young people for work.
There are more than 260,000 unemployed young people across the country and the youth unemployment rate now stands at 12.9 per cent. In response to the challenges faced by young people in getting a job, the Department of Employment, as part of its Surveys of Employers’ Recruitment Experiences, recently asked more than 1000 employers what they thought could be done to improve the employment prospects of young people.

Defence Force Recruiting

![Defence Force Recruiting](image)

All sessions are taking place is the Defence Force Recruiting Centre
Location: Level 14, 501 Swanston Street, Melbourne VIC 3000
There are limited positions available for these sessions so reservations are essential.
To book your seat please email CPTVIC@dfr.com.au with the date and title of the session and also the number of seats you would like.

Monash University

Monash has two events coming up for Year 10s and 11s. The programs take place in the upcoming July school holidays, and are free. If they’re keen, students must register online as soon as possible, as places are strictly limited.

**Year 10 Independence Day**
**Date:** Thursday, 3 July 2014
**Time:** 11am-3.30pm (light lunch provided)
**Location:** Clayton Campus
**Register:** www.monash.edu/year10-day

**Year 11 Inspiration Day**
**Date:** Wednesday, 9 July 2014
**Time:** 11am-3.30pm (light lunch provided)
**Location:** Caulfield campus
**Register:** www.monash.edu/year11-day

Each of the days is an opportunity for students to visit a Monash campus, learn about Monash courses, interact with current Monash students and take part in discipline-specific workshops. Attending will also give students an opportunity to meet other highly-motivated secondary students from around Victoria.

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_Jenny Dunn and Geraldine McKenna_  
Careers
Presents an Avila Parents Social Evening featuring

On: 7:30pm Friday 8 August
At: Avila Gym
Cost: $35 per person
BYO food and soft drinks
Drinks will be available to purchase on the night
Dress: Glam up a little or a lot

Bookings: www.avilacollege.vic.edu.au
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Mazenod-Avila Musical 2014

West Side Story

This is a modernised version of the story in Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*. It is based on the gang rivalry of the Jets (typical American teenagers) led by Riff and the Sharks (Puerto Rican migrants) led by Bernardo. It is referred to as a ‘tragic musical drama’.

Unlike other musicals, it does not have a happy ending. In fact before it is all over, the 3 leading males are dead in tragic circumstances.

There is a love story - Tony, a friend of Riff and Maria, the sister of Bernardo - the improbable match of a Jet and a Shark. This is the story of their struggle to survive in a world of violence and prejudice – a story told with vibrant music and lively dancing.

Despite its age (it was first produced on Broadway in 1957), its message about prejudice, racism and violence is still extremely relevant these days. In the late 1950s, *West Side Story* was considered to be a daring musical; it dared to be different from the usual romantic musical comedies of that time.

Do make sure you come along and see the wonders that our hard-working and enthusiastic students have achieved in their production of *West Side Story*. 
# Ticket Order Form

**Student’s Name:** ___________________________(Please Print)  **Year & Homeroom:** __________

**College:** MAZENOD / AVILA  **Contact Ph. (After Hours):** ____________________

## Ticket Options

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**Total Cost:**

Would you like your tickets posted to you?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No (I will pick them up from the Mazenod Student Counter)

Please provide your postal address below for postage of tickets:

**Name:** _________________________________________________

**Address:** _______________________________________________  **Suburb:** __________________  **P/C:** __________

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**Payment Options** (please tick appropriate box):

- [ ] Credit
- [ ] Cheque
- [ ] Cash

*If you wish to pay by credit card, please fill in the following details.*

**CARD DETAILS:**  

- [ ] VISA  
- [ ] MASTERCARD  

**Amount $** _______________________

**Card No:** _____________ / _____________ / _____________ / _____________  

**Expiry Date:** __ __ / __ __

**Name on Card:** __________________________(Please Print)

**Signature:** ____________________________________________

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**Wednesday**  

**July 23**

**Thursday**  

**July 24**

**Friday**  

**July 25**

**Saturday**  

**July 26**

**Former Cast Members, Parish Primary School Students or State Primary School Students**  

**$10**

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**TOTAL**

**N/A**  

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19 June 2014

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Each year Avila College undertakes a survey as part of the School Improvement Framework under the direction of the Catholic Education Office Melbourne. The framework promotes an inquiry-based approach to planning within the school. It requires schools to incorporate ongoing monitoring and evaluation of student outcomes to ensure continuous school improvement.

An important part of this process is gaining parent, student and staff opinion through surveys. We hope to survey as many Avila parents as possible, while 350 students will anonymously also undertake the survey during class time.

I strongly encourage parents to complete the slip below and volunteer to complete the survey so that, together, we can shape the future of our College. Completed slips can be handed to your daughter’s homeroom teacher or you can register at respond@avilacollege.vic.edu.au. If replying via email, please leave your name, and your youngest daughter's name and homeroom.

Surveys are completed online to avoid complications that have occurred with printed copies in the past. Parents who volunteer to complete the survey will receive instructions including username and password from Insight SRC via the mail. The parent survey can be completed anytime between 29 July - 22 August.

Rest assured that your responses are confidential and anonymous, and only Insight SRC will have direct access to them.

If you have any questions, please contact Christine Kralj, Deputy Principal Wellbeing, who is the school’s Survey Co-ordinator on 9831 9600.

Thank you for your involvement in this important survey that will assist us in improving learning outcomes, wellbeing programs and school-wide policies.

Yours faithfully

LOUISE GUNTHER
PRINCIPAL

RETURN TO HOMEROOM TEACHER BY THURSDAY, 24 JULY.

Yes, I would like to complete the School Improvement Survey in 2014.

__________________________________________________________
Daughter's Name Homeroom

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Parent/Guardian Name Parent/Guardian Signature