

NUMBER 6/2020 MONDAY March 9



Dear Magis and Altiora students,

Please read the events column carefully as we have a very full program this week including Debating and Da Vinci Decathlon preparation sessions, and important **Magis Senior Committee meeting on Monday**, and the **Debating Breakfast on Thursday at 7.30am**. This is compulsory for all debaters. Please get your form in, and collect your form and the John XXIII Debating handbook if you did not attend last Friday's meeting. Debating Badges will be presented at the Breakfast.

Next week sees the start of the second Magis-run House event for 2020 - the Public Speaking House Championship. Each homeroom must have two speakers. The rules are simple. Competitors speak for 2-3 minutes on any appropriate topic of their choice. All heats will be at lunchtimes in weeks 7 (Years 7,,8,11 and 12) and week 8 (Years 9 and 10). The Grandfinal will be held on Monday evening in Week 9 and the top 3 in each year group will compete, all receiving trophies (First place) or medallions.

Open day was successful for the college, and special thanks to Year 8 students **Max Watt and Meg Cleary** who volunteered to assist with the display and gave vital assistance – real Magis spirit – my warmest thanks.

Finally, separate information flyers for Public Speaking and Da Vinci are being sent out this week, and those involved will receive debating and Da Vinci Handbooks, whilst a summary Magis Calendar for weeks 6-10 is also available and will be emailed out and in Magis Resources and on the Magis noticeboard. Please check carefully for details of any event(s) you are in.

**Please represent your school or house with honour and pride in these events. Good Luck!**

- Jim Miller Magis Coordinator

## GREAT OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIFTED STUDENTS

See SET 2 sent out last week – 6 great events/competitions!

## EVENTS THIS WEEK



### MONDAY

**Magis Committee Meeting**  
Years 11 and 12 only - recess in X10

Debating Preparation  
7.30am and 3.20pm X10

### TUESDAY

Debating Preparation  
7.30am X10

### WEDNESDAY

Da Vinci Decathlon Prep. Sessions  
Cartography (Ms Ball) A9 1pm  
Coding (Mrs Davies) X15 1pm

### THURSDAY

**DEBATING BREAKFAST**  
7.30am Library

### FRIDAY

Da Vinci decathlon Prep. Sessions  
Maths (Ms O'Loughlin) X10 at 1pm  
Science (Mr Cotter) B6 at 1pm

## NEXT WEEK

Da Vinci and debating prep sessions continue – see the Da Vinci chart

**WADL Debating Round 1 - Tues**

**HOUSE PUBLIC SPEAKING BEGINS**

Tues/Wed Years 11 and 12

Thurs/Fri Years 7 and 8

