

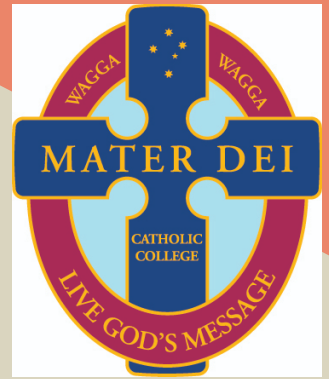


# BOARDERS' BUZZ

## MT ERIN BOARDING HOUSE

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On behalf of my family and all the boarding staff, I would like to welcome all our new families, along with our returning families to Kildare Catholic College, Mt Erin Boarding House for 2019. I believe it is the responsibility of all boarders to respect the positive traditions of this great Boarding House. Take comfort in the knowledge that every boarder at Mt Erin Boarding House has an unequalled opportunity to learn. Choose to spend your time wisely - find those things you are passionate about and pursue these interests with great vigor. Above all make the most of those opportunities available to you - get to know your peers and forge life-long friendships that will stand you in good stead, now and into the future. Learning to live in community is a vital skill and research teaches us that boarders develop close friendships and values, such as resilience, tolerance and independence, often much earlier than others who are not given the same educational opportunities. Living at school offers many advantages - time that would otherwise be allocated to travel can be better

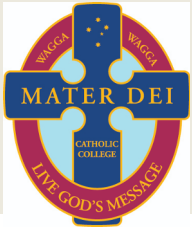
utilized, enabling boarders to be fully engaged in their schoolwork, sporting endeavors and other co-curricular activities. Our boarders have access to academic support from a selection of academic staff who are available throughout the day and in the evenings. My message to all our boarders is: An incredible and exciting adventure awaits you at Mt Erin Boarding House - enjoy all that is on offer, make the most of this amazing opportunity to engage in a challenging curriculum in an incredible setting!

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# Welcome to our Boarding Family



**Welcome to all our new boarders for 2019. We have 39 new boarders this year, and what a talented group of young people they are! It has been fantastic to get to know them over the last week, hear about all the adventures they got up to over the school holidays, where they come from, how many brothers and sisters they have etc. I'm excited about all the wonderful opportunities that are ahead of them as they navigate through their boarding experience.**





# Welcome to our new GAP Assistants



**It's a big welcome to our three new GAP Assistants! Meg Lendrum is from Johannesburg, South Africa and joins the boarding family for 2019. Meg wants to grow in her confidence and overall independence through her GAP Assistant year. Meg plans to become a Teacher or Psychologist when she returns home to South Africa. Meg will work with our Junior Girls.**

**Jannes de Necker is from Cape Town, South Africa and joins the boarding family for 2019. Jannes wants to build good relationships with all the boarders during his time here as a GAP Assistant. Jannes is planning on attending university when he returns home to South Africa. Jannes will work with our Junior Boys.**

**Maddie Fuchek is from New York City, USA and joins the boarding family until July 2019. Maddie will attend university when she returns home to the USA. Maddie is looking forward to experiencing the Australian culture while she is here as a GAP Assistant. Maddie will work with our Senior Girls.**

# Introducing our Boarding Mentors for 2019



We are very fortunate to have an excellent team of Boarding Mentors for 2019! Alistair Waite has worked at Mt Erin Boarding House for 4 years and is our Senior Boys Mentor. Alistair comes from Rockhampton in Queensland and has a wealth of experience in the boarding sector. Alistair enjoys the sense of community and welcoming environment that the boarding house has to offer.

Jackie Tassell began working in her role as the Junior Girls Mentor at the start of Term 2 last year. Jackie was born in Chelsea, Victoria and worked at St Paul's College (Walla Walla) as a Boarding Supervisor. Jackie takes great pride in seeing the young women grow up to be the best they can be! Her favorite colour is Red.

Jody Siegwalt is our Junior Boys Mentor and has been working in the Boarding House for 8 years. Jody was an electrician before starting at Kildare Catholic College. He is a mad, West Tigers NRL fan and he enjoys the sense of family, fun and laughter that the Boarding House has to offer.

Maggie Marriott is our Senior Girls Mentor and has been working in the Boarding House for 11 years. Maggie was born in Austria and has a Bachelor of Arts degree. Maggie enjoys the sense of community that the Boarding House has. Maggie loves her Roast Pork, Italian Cuisine and Desserts (Panna Cotta).