



24 June, 2021

Dear Year 10 Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well and enjoying time with your sons over these holidays. As promised in my last newsletter, I am sending this notice to you with a few important matters that I hope you will be able to discuss with your son while he is at home with you. I want to highlight two matters currently:

1. Half Yearly Academic and Pastoral Reports for 2021, and
2. Year 11 2022 Subject selection processes and dates.

Half Yearly Academic and Pastoral Report, 2021

Our Dean of Studies, Mr Mark Williams recently wrote to you confirming that your son's school report for Semester One will be made available to you via the College portal at the end of Week 1, Term Three. The very difficult and unforeseen circumstances at the end of Term Two meant that we were not fully able to complete the reporting processes and protocols before the close of Term Two. The College recognises that it is very important for parents to receive school reports in a timely manner, and we are confident that our usual high standards of marking, data entry, grading, cross-checking and editing can be achieved in time for you to discuss the report with your sons prior to subject selections and before the Parent, Student, Teacher Interviews on Sunday 25 July.

Results for your son's HSC Minimum Standards Tests will be made available to you at the same time as the Half Yearly Reports for 2021. The Minimum Standards Tests are an online, externally administered tests in Numeracy, Reading and Writing. Students across the State are able to complete these tests as early as Year 10, well in advance of their HSC. Students may attempt the Minimum Standards tests up to six times if they do not meet the minimum standards initially. Those students who will require a second attempt at any of the three Minimum Standards Tests will be supported by our Learning Enrichment Team before they make a second attempt towards the end of Term Three.

Please feel free to contact me after these reports are released should you need to.

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Year 11 2022 Subject Selection Process

I am now able to confirm more details and dates regarding the subject selection process for your sons for their 2022 Preliminary Course leading to the 2023 HSC.

Please note the following details:

- **Work experience** (now complete)
- **Year 11 2022 Course Handbook** available online. (Week 1 of holidays)
- **Yr 10 Mid-Year Academic and Pastoral Report** available online: Friday, 16 July
- **HSC Minimum Standards results** available to parents via Students Online: Friday, 16 July.
- **Subject 'Market'** - Term Three, Week 2 (Tuesday 20 July, 8:20am – Recess) **Boys and Heads of Departments only**. Students will visit four subject 'stalls' of their choice and complete a booklet of notes relating to those subjects.
- **Parent and Student Information Evening**. Friday 23 July @ 5:30pm in the Br Emilian Hall.
- **Parent/Student/Teacher Meetings** - Sunday 25 July
- **Subject selection** forms completed online by 30 July. Students will be shown how to do this at one of our Form Meetings.
- **Committee of Review** – commencing 6 August. A committee from the College's Teaching and Learning team will check each student's selections and offer advice as to the suitability of those choices for that student.
- **Notification to students and parents** of 2022 subject allocations - 3 September

(* note that the "Subject Market" will replace the Information Session listed in the College Calendar for 26 July)

Subject selections are not only important to students. The data derived from these selections will inform important decisions for the College such as staffing, timetabling, rooming, etc.

I wish you all a safe and happy break with your sons.

Best wishes,

Dr. Mark Fenech

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