



Dear Parents, Guardians and Carers

It seems that Covid has effectively bookended our Semester 1 with Lockdowns. I hope you are all coping and have traversed the various travel restrictions and mask wearing at different times without too many issues. I know that for some of our families Covid has had a major impact and we hope that we can at least provide a safe, inclusive education for every student during their time with us and alleviate some worries in that space. Working with you as partners to create the best opportunities for all is what we aim for and I would like to thank those of you who are assisting us in this. Communication is the key and I urge you to organise a meeting or have a conversation with us if you have any concerns or need to discuss anything at all.

Students and families will have received a Semester 1 report and from the commencement of next term you will have an opportunity to book in to meet with your child's teachers at our parent afternoon during Week 2. I hope that Covid allows these to be face to face next term and to see you there. It is always positive and proactive to meet in person and discuss progress and concerns.

To complement our recent Year 10 Parent information evening, early next term our Year 10 parents/guardians will be invited to meet with their child to ensure we make the best selections for Year 11 around course and pathway choices. This is about tapping into interests and strengths. We don't need to have a definitive answer on the question 'What job do you want?' to make these choices. It is normal for the majority of students to not know the answer to this. Many adults would struggle with that question also. Making informed and smart choices and having discussions around these opportunities and where they can lead is important. Students also will receive information around the courses that are available and have an opportunity to ask questions early next term.

Abiding by our College dress code and avoiding wearing non-school jumpers is something we would appreciate your support around next term as the cold weather has seen a few more non-school jumpers appear. Hot Klobba is our shop outlet for July and we are moving to using Lowes (in the Mandurah Forum) from August onwards around this. The College jacket is new, warm, lower priced than our older model and was the result of lots of input from students around what they like. I would like to thank those parents who are proactive in this space to ensure our students are dressed smartly and representing our College with pride.

Our attached [newsletter](#) features more of the many opportunities provided for our students. This newsletter can also be accessed from our Website. I trust and hope that the upcoming school holidays are trouble free and that travel, for those who have planned it, is possible. I hope to meet up with you at events in the upcoming months. Please stay in touch with your child's teachers and don't hesitate to make contact with relevant staff if you have concerns.

Yours sincerely

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