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Dear Parents

From the Senior School Office

The gospel reading at mass yesterday recounted the miracle at Cana and as the Church is also beginning its new year of ordinary time, it is relevant for us at the beginning of our school year. What struck me most were Our Lady's words: 'Do what ever he tells you' - good advice for those of us looking to God for miracles - trust and obey the Lord. So At the beginning of this new school year we dedicate ourselves and our work to Him, trusting Him to provide and being guided by Him in all we do at school.

Grade 8 Subject Changes

Grade 8's must decide by Tuesday at the latest whether they will be doing Art, Music or Arts and Culture. Final classlists will be drawn up while students are on camp and after that there will be no more changing of classes.

Traffic

There are many more little people on our campus this year with moms and dads needing to drop them off at the pre-school. Please co-operate with the traffic directions of our staff so that the flow of traffic is maintained. Likewise the parking across the road is now restricted because of the Annex and again we implore parents to be patient and careful. Please avoid double parking in the street as this blocks the road and causes problems for everyone. Utilise the gate on the Parklands Main Road side. There is ample parking there.

Phase Four Update

The Annex:

Classes are underway in The Annex across the road. Strict security is being maintained. The College has hired a security guard until the palisade fencing and gate have been completed and tight control is being kept on students crossing the road. We are still awaiting Council approval and installation of a traffic light and extra speed bumps at the zebra crossing and are being extremely careful of students crossing the road. Please encourage your youngsters to co-operate with the rules regulating their safety in this regard. Classes cross together. No stragglers will be allowed. Full uniform is also to be worn when crossing because they are in the public eye.

New Computer Laboratory:

The school has leased 50 new computers and 2 electronic whiteboards which should be fully operational when we return from camp. This allows us greater flexibility on the timetable and excellent opportunities for state-of-the-art teaching.

Design Room:

Mrs Dold's Design Room will also be fully functional this week.

These developments are very exciting and we are thrilled to be expanding and improving the quality of our facilities.

Tuckshop Menu

MONDAY	Chicken mayo rolls
TUESDAY	Toasted cheese and ham
WEDNESDAY	Muffins donuts and samoosas
THURSDAY	Hot dogs
FRIDAY	pizzas

Dates to Diarise:

17 January: Mr Hagemann's birthday

18 January: 24/7 Booksale
Grade 11 Job Shadowing

19 January: Deadline for all books
Extra-mural sign-up at break

20-22 January: Grades 8-10 Camps
Matric special timetable

Please note that once students sign up for an extra-mural, they are committed to it. We enter leagues etc based on this information and are trying to develop young people who honour their commitments. Please insist that they do so.

The Back Pew - Jeff Larson



THE LORD IS MY CAMPGUIDE.. I have everything I need, He let's me rest at clean campsites with running water and electric, He gives me good rest, and leads me on the paths marked clearly to the restrooms and hot showers, because he is good, Even though I walk through the valley of MOSQUITOES I will not be afraid, cuz you giveth me DEET, Your campfire and picnic pavilion comfort me, You prepare s'mores and hot dogs in the presence of racoons, You fill my coleman lantern with oil, and my coffee mug overflows, Suerely good weather, and FUN will be with me, and I will stay in the Lord's Campground FOREVER! **Psalm 23 (CIV)** Campers International Version.

We wish all our campers good weather and loads of fun.

Yours in education

Colleen Mongie

Senior School Principal

