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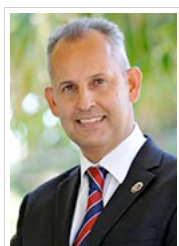
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21 July 2017

From the Principal



Dear Parents, Carers and friends of the Trinity Catholic College community,

Welcome back

A very warm welcome to the new Term. We wish our year 12 students every success in these busy weeks. Please find below the dates of our Year 12 Graduation ceremonies. Formal invitations will be sent to families in the coming week.

8 September 2017- Year 12 Formal

20 September 2017 - Year 12 Mass

21 September 2017 - Year 12 Graduation Evening

Parent Teacher meetings

We extend our thanks to all parents, carers and our teaching staff for your commitment to being present for this year's parent teacher meetings. Your support and presence sends a vital message to our young people about the obvious importance of their Catholic education. We do limit the occasions on which we ask families to attend events at the College. We are continually grateful for your attendance at those meetings where there is an expectation of your presence at the College.

Learning @ Trinity

I thank you for making the time to meet with your child's teachers. The student reflections on their learning, subsequent interviews and the setting of new learning goals are important strategies to encourage students to take responsibility for their own learning and subsequently this will lead to improved learning outcomes. We are blessed with a very supportive parent community and your support of your child is critical to their academic success. What is even more important is;

- enabling your child to take responsibility for his/her own learning by planning the next semester's assessments
- committing to a regular pattern of study
- striving for personal excellence by setting achievable goals

Preparing for success

The link below will take you to your child's Semester 2 Assessment calendar and you can use this to ensure that your child is always aware of what tasks are due and when.

Please assist your child to be organised, so that they are not wasting valuable marks by submitting tasks late or poorly attempted. With good planning and organisation EVERY child can submit their best work and be justly rewarded.

Upcoming Meetings

In the coming weeks a number of events will occur where it is essential to have at least one parent or carer present with your child. Our experience is that when families do not attend these events children can be disadvantaged. If you are unable to attend the following gatherings please, as a courtesy and to ensure follow up, advise the College of your inability to attend on the following occasions:

Year 11 2018 Information Evening – 26 July 2017 – 6.30pm-8pm

Year 9 2018 Information Evening - 23 August 2017 - 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Every lesson, Every Day Counts! - Wet & Wild Draw (Encouraging Academic Excellence) / Movies (Year 9 & 10):

I remind all parents and students in Years 9 & 10 of our incentive draw for students who have perfect attendance. This incentive is in place to encourage and support school attendance. As I explained at the end of term 2, there is a direct correlation between good school attendance and academic excellence. Unfortunately, Perfect Attendance is Perfect

Attendance - No lates, absences, early finishes under any circumstances!!!

Standards – Attendance, Uniform & Presentation:

Similarly, good academic standards are consistent with a personal commitment to excellent punctuality and presentation. I am continuously amazed at how many of our students obtain full-time and part-time work because their employers are impressed with the way they present as young Trinity men and women. I ask for all parents to support our high standards in regard to attendance, hair, jewellery, make up, shoes and uniform and to ensure that valuable learning is not wasted by students being sent home to address what is a basic College expectation.

We look forward to working with your child as they strive for improvement in their learning achievement.

Winter Uniforms and Keeping Warm

It is vitally important during these colder months for all students to keep warm within the framework of our school uniform expectations:

Uniform Policy Change:

Year 7 & 8: We have reviewed our uniform policy and feel that students in Years 7 & 8 may use a College Blazer (**Optionally**). If students cannot access a blazer, they need to ensure that they wear multiple layers under their uniform, I have attached some suggestions:

Boys: Thermals, long sleeve t-shirt under the school shirt, school scarf.

Girls: Thermals, long sleeve t-shirt under the school shirt, school scarf.

How to order Uniforms:

The uniform shop opens Monday and Wednesday 8.00am – 4.00pm

To order uniforms:

Visit our Auburn campus

- Phone order call 9749 7291 and we will deliver to Regents Park. Auburn students can collect from uniform shop.

<http://www.yerongauniforms.com>



The Uniform Exchange

The Uniform Exchange – Australia's biggest free community Site designed to exchange the things you'll need for school.

It's a fact of life that seasons will change, children will grow and things will get lost or damaged.

It's very quick, very simple and will save you money as well as recycling items that could end up in landfill.

If you want to SELL your items, simply list them under the correct category and wait for the buyers to contact you.

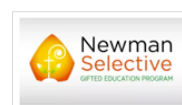
If you want to BUY something, just click on the item and contact the seller via email.

There are no fees to look, to list or to buy –they presently have over 70,000 items listed for sale. The more people who know about this, the more items will be available and the quicker they will sell.

<http://www.facebook.com/TheUniformExchange>

Newman Selective Gifted Education Program proves its worth in National Science Competition

The Science Department at Trinity Catholic College achieved incredible results with Trinity Catholic College achieving first place in the EP Australian Science Competition in front of 1063 other schools.



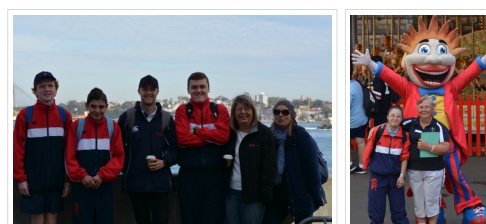
In the same EP Australian Science Competition, the Year 7 Newman Science class answered more questions than any other class in Australia. In addition to this, two students from Trinity Catholic College were in the top five students of Australia, both from the Year 7 Newman Science class.



Luna Park

The entire Trinity Catholic College community joined together at Luna Park on Friday 23 June to celebrate Trinity Day.

It was a fun filled day with perfect weather!



Marist Youth Festival

During the holidays five Year 12 students attended the Marist Youth Festival held at St Joseph's College in Hunters Hill.

It was three days of faith and personal development which the students thoroughly enjoyed. We thank Mr Duncan and Miss Lee for accompanying the students.



Our Year 12 representatives with the Dominican sisters and ex-students at the Marist Youth Festival.

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1376611089052776&id=693670154013543

From the Leader of Learning - Peter Logiotatos

HSC Trial Examinations

Year 12 will be undertaking their Trial HSC Examinations, which commence on Monday July 31 and finish on Monday August 14. Attendance is required ONLY when doing an exam but students are welcome to study in rooms 623 and 624 when they do not have an exam scheduled. Students need to make themselves aware of the [examination timetable](#) and rules and procedures.

Things for Year 12 to remember:

- Mobile phones, programmable watches and other electronic devices are strictly not permitted in the examination room
- Arrive at the College 20 minutes before the start of each examination (all examinations are in the Study Centre except the Music practicals)
- Wear full school uniform
- Calculators must comply with criteria set out by NESA
- You need to remain in the examination room for the duration of the exam period – no student is to leave the examination early

HSC Preparation

Useful resources for Year 12 to access include:

- The Sydney Morning Herald 2017 HSC Study Guide
- NSW Students Online , for advice on preparing for your exams, equipment you are permitted to take into each examination
- NSW Students Online , for advice on rules and procedures.

Year 9 NAPLAN results and the HSC minimum standard Message from NESA

Literacy and numeracy skills are the foundation for success in life after school. This is why eligibility for the HSC is changing. From 2020, students will need to show they have the basic literacy and numeracy skills needed to complete everyday tasks.

Your child will have a number of opportunities from Year 9 to Year 12, and even after the HSC, to show they meet the HSC minimum standard

Some students will meet the requirement early through their Year 9 NAPLAN results in reading, writing and numeracy. However, most students will show they meet the standard by passing short, online reading, writing and numeracy tests in Years 10, 11 or 12. The writing test will require students to respond to a question about a prompt or stimulus.

Year 9 NAPLAN reports available in mid-August

Your child's Year 9 NAPLAN report will indicate which online HSC minimum standard test/s (if any) they will need to pass to be eligible for the HSC certificate. Remember, your child has three more years of learning before the HSC and can take the HSC minimum standard online tests in Years 10, 11 or 12. Year 9 NAPLAN is a good chance to check they are on track or need support to meet the minimum standard by Year 12. If your child has achieved a Band 8 or above in reading, writing or numeracy, the NAPLAN report will indicate that they have "Met the HSC minimum standard early" in the respective area/s.

Your child can sit the online HSC minimum standard tests when they are ready.

There are three separate 45 minute online tests: reading, writing and numeracy. Students don't have to pass all three tests at once and can attempt each test up to twice a year. The reading and numeracy tests each contain a maximum of 45 multiple choice questions. You can try some sample reading and numeracy questions at the following link.

<https://hscliteracynumeracy.nesa.nsw.edu.au/>

<http://www.educationstandards.nsw.edu.au>

From the Wellbeing Coordinator – Simone McCann

Supporting students through the Year 11 and Year 12 years is full of mixed experiences and emotions. Clinical psychologist, Andrew Fuller has written a helpful guide for parents around how to support students through their senior years. These strategies can also be used to support younger students.

<http://andrewfuller.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/parents-guide-to-senior-years.pdf>

From the Sports Coordinator – Lauren Hadchiti

MCCS Achievements

Congratulations to the Year 10 MCS Football team on winning the grand final!



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Athletics Carnival

The Athletics Carnival was a huge success with both the students and staff having a great day filled with fun and competition.

Congratulations to Marcellin House on winning the Carnival!



Finding belonging in a sporting community

Please see the attached article that focuses on the Savannah Pride Basketball Club and the positive impact it is having on young people's lives.

This basketball club is a place of community for some of our very own students.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2017-06-26/mayor-chagai-making-a-difference-with-basketball/8639904>

Census – Friday, August 4 – Important Information

Privacy Statement Standard Collection Notice

From time to time, we are required to provide students details and background data provided through the school Enrolment form to government agencies. Parents/Caregivers are able to access the Sydney Catholic Schools (SCS) Policy Standard Collection Notice on the SCS public website through this link.

If there are any student's currently on VISA's who have had changes to their VISA or who have become Permanent Residents and/or Australian Citizens could you please come and see Ms Dunn in the office next week before Friday, July 28th.

Trinity Catholic College has a new app!



SZapp is a great way to keep up to date with all of our latest news and information. Using SZapp will give you easy access to information such as:

- Newsletters on the go
- Latest News & Reminders
- Calendar
- Forms and Documents
- Contact Forms

