



*We walk with Jesus*

*Term 4 Week 10  
2021*

# Update

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

### TERM 4

#### December

- 7th Yr 10 Pastoral / Alternative Program ends
- 10th Yrs 7-11 Picnic Day
- 13th Yrs 7-9 Normal Lessons
- 14th **Parent/Teacher Interviews**  
**This is online and a Pupil Free Day**
- 15th Staff Development Day - Pupil Free Day
- 16th Staff Development Day - School Office closed. Pupil Free Day
- 17th College is closed for Holidays  
Yr 12 Formal

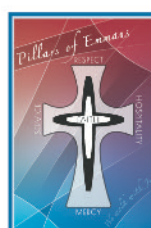
### TERM 1 2022

#### February

- 1st Yr 7 Return
- 2nd Whole school returns
- 4th Yr 7-11 College Photos
- 18th College Swimming Carnival
- 22nd Yr 7 Vaccinations  
Yr 8 & 11 Catch-up

## Message from the Principal

### THE EMMAUS GRADUATE



- Has strong Catholic values
- Is resilient and adaptable
- Has respect for self, others, the community and learning opportunities
- Has a good work ethic and seeks success
- Is prepared for an ever-changing world

### *Curiosity to Clarity to Challenge*

#### Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences Tuesday 14th

##### December

Final Reports were released on COMPASS earlier in the week (Year 7-9 reports being of an interim style for semester 2 given the number of days of remote learning and the formative approach to assessment). As in previous years these conferences/meetings are available to all Parents/carers of students across Year 7-11 on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2021 from 8.45am to 10.45am via zoom (links will be sent to the parents by the class teacher). They will be of 5-10-minute durations and if you would like to make a booking time with any of your child's teachers then you will need to call the College office on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December between 9am and 10.30am only to secure a booking time (note there will be no other methods of making bookings for these zoom meetings).

#### Staffing Changes for 2022

I take this opportunity to both thank and farewell the following teachers/staff members who are moving on to new schools/positions in 2022 and as a community we wish them every success and blessing in the future: Mrs. Allen; Ms. Bozic; Mrs. Brogan; Mrs. Harris, Mr. Yuzon and Mr Skvorc. Also, I thank and wish all the very best to several staff members who finish temporary appointments in 2021 at Emmaus: Mr. Green; Ms. Doncanto (part time counsellor) and Ms. Reid. Finally farewell and thanks after two years to Mr. Montesin our IT Trainee who has been with us for the last two years and who will now take on employment at CEDP as of 2022. His position will be filled by another trainee in January 2022.



## College Leadership Teams

### Executive

<i>Principal</i>	<i>Mr Nastasi</i>
<i>Principal's Personal Assistant</i>	<i>Mrs Schembri</i>
<i>Assistant Principal</i>	<i>Mr Roberts</i>
<i>Director of Learning &amp; Mission</i>	<i>Ms Waring</i>
<i>Director of Academic Growth</i>	<i>Mr O'Connor</i>
<i>Director of Curriculum Administration</i>	<i>Mrs Else</i>

### Leaders of Wellbeing

<i>Year 7</i>	<i>Mr Licalalde</i>
<i>Year 8</i>	<i>Mr Petrocco</i>
<i>Year 9</i>	<i>Mr Hamond</i>
<i>Year 10</i>	<i>Mrs Luke</i>
<i>Year 11</i>	<i>Mr Pearman Sultana</i>
<i>Year 12</i>	<i>Miss Gaudiosi</i>

### Leaders of Learning

<i>REC</i>	<i>Ms Waring</i>
<i>Diverse Learning</i>	<i>Ms Varga</i>
<i>English</i>	<i>Mr O'Connor</i>
<i>Mathematics</i>	<i>Mrs Mowbray</i>
<i>PDHPE</i>	<i>Mr Brunt</i>
<i>HSIE</i>	<i>Mrs Curran</i>
<i>TAS</i>	<i>Mr Chhabra</i>
<i>Creative Arts</i>	<i>Mrs Harris</i>
<i>Science</i>	<i>Mrs Hamama</i>

<i>Learning Innovations</i>	<i>Ms McQueen</i>
<i>Sport Co-ordinator</i>	<i>Ms Hely</i>
<i>Language</i>	<i>Mrs Scarfone</i>
<i>Library</i>	<i>Mrs Ellery</i>
<i>VET Co-ordinator</i>	<i>Mrs Grills</i>
<i>Careers Advisor</i>	<i>Mrs Scarfone</i>
<i>College Counsellor</i>	<i>Ms Wen and Ms Docanto</i>
<i>Business Manager</i>	<i>Mr Anchique</i>

At the same time, it is with great pleasure that I announce that **Ms. Ashton and Mr. Connelly** (both currently on staff) will jointly take on the substantive role of Leader of Learning-CAPA as of 2022 and **Mr. Saba and Mr. Safi** (also on staff) will become the substantive joint Leaders of Sport as of 2022. Additionally, I am pleased to announce that **Ms. Anderson** will move from Diversity to teaching full time in her area of expertise in CAPA also commencing in 2022.

We keep in our thought and prayers **Ms. Lopeti** and **Ms. Habib** as they await the impending birth of their children in 2022, we wish them well during their maternity leave and look forward to the exciting news to come and their return in 2023.

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF LOW

The **Leader of Well-Being positions in 2022** will be as follows:

Year 7-Mr. Licalalde  
Year 8-Ms. Gaudiosi  
Year 9-Mr. Petrocco  
Year 10-Mr. Hamond  
Year 11-Mrs. Luke  
Year 12-Mr. Pearman-Sultana

*Announcements of the new teaching staff joining Emmaus next year will be made in the first newsletter of 2022 and we have been fortunate to secure a group of talented and experienced teachers to join the Emmaus family.*

### **Conversational (Growth) Coaching to replace homeroom in 2022 and the order of lessons during the day will change**

The College embarked on a journey of '**Growth Coaching**' for academic success in 2021 with a focus on teachers coaching each other to develop strategies to improve their pedagogy and hence support academic success in our students.

To that end we are moving to the next phase of Coaching in 2022 whereby our Homeroom teachers will now be known as '**Conversational Coaches**' and they will each take a group of around 20 students in a year group and act as their coach to plan with the individual students their learning, wellbeing and personal goals throughout the year. This model will replace the Homeroom teacher concept, now outdated in its nature where we simply mark a roll and provide notices. Attendance and administration details will continue to be done in other ways particularly given teachers mark rolls each lesson and COMPASS is where we house much of daily information required for both students and families.

As such we have decided as a college to adjust the **ORDER** of events/ lessons in the day to ensure that this coaching takes place at a different time in the student/ teacher timetable to remove the old concept of the 12-minute homeroom class and change the mindset of students to arrive for learning as of 8.40am and meeting their conversational coach (CC) at a more conducive time during the day.

I share with you the **new daily times** for the students knowing that start and finish times remain the same and hence will not impact on arrival/ departure and travel/ buses times. It will however mean that students will now **begin the day with period 1 at 8.40am** and thus the onus on them and families to ensure being on time all the time, as late arrival will impact on key course learnings during period 1.

New timetabled bell times are seen below and commence immediately on our return in 2022

	Mon A	Tues A	Wed A	Thurs A	Frid A	Mon B	Tues B	Wed B	Thurs B	Frid B
Period 1	8:40-9:40	8:40-9:40	8:40-9:40	8:40-9:40	8:40-9:40	8:40-9:40	8:40-9:40	8:40-9:40	8:40-9:40	8:40-9:40
Period 2	9:40-10:40	9:40-10:40	9:40-10:40	9:40-10:40	9:40-10:40	9:40-10:40	9:40-10:40	9:40-10:40	9:40-10:40	9:40-10:40
Recess	10:40-11:10	10:40-11:10	10:40-11:10	10:40-11:10	10:40-11:10	10:40-11:10	10:40-11:10	10:40-11:10	10:40-11:10	10:40-11:10
<b>Coaching</b>	11:13-11:25	11:13-11:25	11:13-11:25	11:13-11:25	11:13-11:25	11:13-11:25	11:13-11:25	11:13-11:25	11:13-11:25	11:13-11:25
Period 3	11:25-12:25	11:25-12:25	11:25-12:25	11:25-12:25	11:25-12:25	11:25-12:25	11:25-12:25	11:25-12:25	11:25-12:25	11:25-12:25
Period 4	12:25-1:25	12:25-1:25	12:25-1:25		12:25-1:25	12:25-1:25	12:25-1:25	12:25-1:25		12:25-1:25
Lunch	1:25-1:55	1:25-1:55	1:25-1:55	12:25-1:25	1:25-1:55	1:25-1:55	1:25-1:55	1:25-1:55	12:25-1:25	1:25-1:55
Period 5	1:55-2:55	1:55-2:55	1:55-2:55	SPORT 1:25-2:55	1:55-2:55	1:55-2:55	1:55-2:55	1:55-2:55	SPORT 1:25-2:55	1:55-2:55

### Final week of school 2021 and start to 2022

Week/Date	Key event
<b>Week 11:</b> 13/12/21 to 17/12/21	<b>Normal lessons Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December for Year 7, 8 &amp; 9</b>
13/12/21	❖ <b>Normal lessons Year 7, 8 &amp; 9</b> ❖ <b>Bookings need to be made by phone on Monday 13/12/21 between 9.00am and 10.30am for Parent/teacher/student interviews tomorrow via zoom</b>
14/12/21	❖ <b>Year 7-11 Parent/Teacher/Student interviews via zoom from 8.45am to 10.45am.</b>
15/12/21 & 16/12/21	❖ <b>Pupil Free days/Staff Development days</b>
16/12/21 & 17/12/21	❖ <b>College Office is closed for 2021 on these days</b>
<b>2022 DATES</b>	❖ <b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January-College office opens</b> ❖ <b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January-Australia Day public holiday (school office closed)</b> ❖ <b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January-Staff development day/staff only</b> ❖ <b>Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January- Staff development day/staff only</b> ❖ <b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February-Year 7 return only</b> ❖ <b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February whole school 7-12 return-WeekA</b> ❖ <b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February Years 7-11 School photos taken</b>

"ECC focus in 2020: Learning, Learning and more learning; Attendance; Transforming learning; Positive Behaviour focus; Respect; Growth; Wellbeing"



## Year 12 Graduation 2021-final walk of the Emmaus Road



***WISHING ALL STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES A HAPPY, SAFE AND PEACEFUL CHRISTMAS AND HOLIDAY BREAK***



***‘ECC focus in 2021: Learning, Learning and more learning-Transformational/Differentiated/Blended; Attendance; Positive Behaviour focus; Respect; Growth Coaching; Wellbeing for all.’***



Robert Nastasi  
Principal  
BEd, MEd-Curriculum, MA (Theolst)

Enjoy a video tour of the College by clicking on the link below  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X8KCHc4Ay\\_k](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X8KCHc4Ay_k)



## Assistant Principal



It's The Most Wonderful Time...

As the year draws to a close, we start to reflect and celebrate the achievements of the students during what has been an interesting year. On Thursday 9th December we acknowledged the academic efforts of the students in years 7-11 at our Awards Ceremony. Following this ceremony, we were also able to celebrate the efforts of the class of 2021 who were finally able to have their Graduation.

These ceremonies are very uplifting as it is an opportunity to reward the students who have worked diligently in their studies throughout the year. We, as a College, are in the business of learning and an 'Academic Award' is an acknowledgement to those students who have gone about their business well.

Whilst the current public health orders meant we were not able to accommodate everyone at these ceremonies, thanks to the wonderful work of our IT team we were able to showcase these events via livestream. Some 850 people tuned into these events and I would like to thank everyone showing your support by celebrating from afar.

It was another turbulent year for everyone, especially for the class of '21. With all the twists and turns that were thrown at the Year 12s, they handled these hurdles with class and to be able to give them the official send off they deserved was amazing. I want to congratulate all the Year 12s for their accomplishments throughout the year, particularly to the students listed below that managed to take home an award - an effort in itself given the quality of the cohort it was.

Congratulations to these students from the class of 2021 receiving the following awards:

First Name	Surname	Subject
<b>(1) SUBJECT</b>		
Ryan	Baird	Work Studies 2 Unit
Alana	Benedito	Design and Technology 2 Unit
Bianca	Calabrese	Food Technology 2 Unit
Eliana	Chavez	Korean Beginners 2 Unit
Joshua	Galayini	Mathematics Standard 2 2 Unit
Lily	Horo	Studies in Catholic Thought 1 Unit
Victoria	Parkes	Industrial Technology (Timber) 2 Unit
Jasmine	Pita	Investigating Science 2 Unit
Jayden	Rask	Mathematics Extension 1 1 Unit
Alyssa	Trimboli	Mathematics Standard 1 2 Unit
<b>(2) SUBJECTS</b>		
Anthony	Bartulovic	Ancient History 2 Unit Mathematics Advanced 2 Unit
Kristen	Farrugia	Hospitality Examination Studies of Religion II 2 Unit
Alesandro	Mati	Business Services Examination English Standard 2 Unit
Kyla	Vasallo	Industrial Technology (Multimedia) 2 Unit Visual Arts 2 Unit

Claudia	Udovcic	Outstanding Achievement VET – Business Services Outstanding Achievement VET - Hospitality
<b>(3) SUBJECTS</b>		
Jacinta	Buhagiar	Chemistry 2 Unit Physics 2 Unit Studies of Religion II 2 Unit
Harlam	Filer	Business Studies 2 Unit Community and Family Studies 2 Unit Construction Examination
William	Johnson	English Advanced 2 Unit Korean Continuers 2 Unit Studies of Religion II 2 Unit
Tameeka	Morrisey	Biology 2 Unit Legal Studies 2 Unit Studies of Religion I 1 Unit
Olivia	Newson	Modern History 2 Unit PDHPE 2 Unit Society and Culture 2 Unit
Benjamin	Seck	Mathematics Standard 1 2 Unit Sport, Lifestyle and Recreation Studies 2 Unit Outstanding Achievement VET - Construction
Isabella	Tabone	English Studies 2 Unit Outstanding Achievement VET – Business Services Outstanding Achievement VET - Hospitality
Natasha	Tatarinoff	English Extension 1 1 Unit English Extension 2 1 Unit Music 1 2 Unit

### Major Award Winners

*Australian Defence Force Long Tan Award - Emily Jugl*

*John Curtin Award - Olivia Newson*

*College Workplace Training Award - Claudia Udovcic*

*College Captains Leadership Award - Harlem Filer, Emily Jugl, Veronika Knezevic, Alesandro Matti*

*Outstanding Sportsperson/s Award - Eden Devonshire & Leilani Arona*

*Cultural Award - Lacey Selmes*

*Sr Patricia Tully Award - Jacinta Buhagiar & Emily Jugl*

*The Mercy Award - Jayden Rask*

*Mulgoa Leadership Award - Veronika Knezevic*

*Bishop Of Parramatta Award - Harlam Filer*

*Principals Recognition Award - Stephanie El-Alam, Ngong Jal Ngong, Niamh O'Keefe, Tameeka Morrisey and Manyol Kual*

*College School Based Assessment DUX - Olivia Newson*

*Emmaus Award - Harlam Filer*





Finally, As we enter into the holiday period I just wanted to thank all our families for their support over the past year. It is such a pleasure and a privilege to walk the journey with you and your sons and daughters. I hope that the holidays provide an opportunity for rest, rejuvenation and connection.

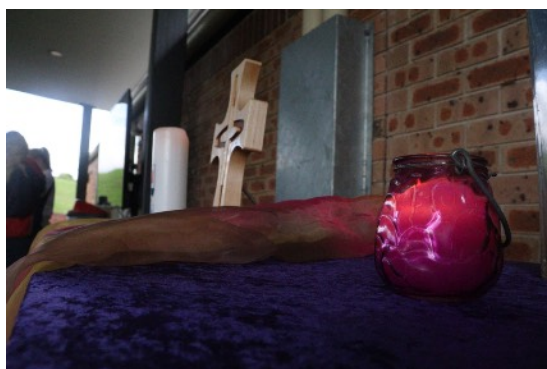
*Mr Roberts Assistant Principal*



# Religious Education



Last week, we were able to celebrate some significant events in our College Liturgical Calendar – the Christmas Liturgies and the Year 10 Spirituality Day. After such a long time of having to postpone or cancel events, it was such a relief to be able to celebrate these significant occasions, albeit in a different way.





The Christmas Liturgies were conducted in year groups, in different areas around the school grounds and were led by the Leaders of Wellbeing. Many students were involved in the various ministries for the Liturgy of the Word ceremony. Whilst the gospel was the birth of Jesus, much of the liturgy also focused on preparing for Jesus' birth and really getting involved in this season of Advent. We were able to present a full hamper for each year group to represent all the donations we have received for the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal this year. Here are a few of the students comments about the liturgy:

*"...Year 7 created a religious and reverent place in M5 and M6. Some teachers read for the liturgy but it was mostly students who partook in the liturgy by volunteering to read out scriptures and other readings. Before the conclusion of the liturgy Year 7 was presented with all the donations made for the food drive..."* Angelina Dicenso

*"I found the Christmas Liturgy a tender and very heartfelt experience for myself. The liturgy allowed me to reflect on what Christmas is all about and reflect on how grateful I am to be with all my friends and family this Christmas."* Madison Virtudazo 9.2

*"It was a nice welcoming in the Advent season... it brings back the true celebration within the Christian community at Christmas time."* Olivia Demasi 11.4

*"It was a great opportunity to come together, embracing the Christmas spirit and celebrating the coming of Christ. Food hampers were also presented at the liturgy for the Vinnies Christmas Appeal, giving the poor and needy of our community the Christmas they deserve."* Adriana Borg 8.4



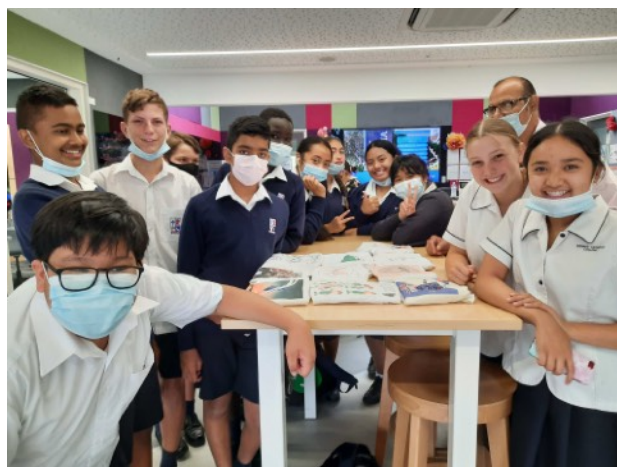
*Ms Waring, Director of Mission and Learning*



## TAS Department



Year 7 Technology class is currently learning about Graphics Technology. They have designed their own unique badges and images/Logos to be printed on their T shirts.



"Year 8 Technology class created their own nutritional version of existing recipes"







# CAPA Department



## Year 11 Visual Arts

Year 11 Visual Arts students have been learning about the Impressionist art movement of the 19th Century. This marked the beginning of modern art where artists broke away from the traditional realistic style of painting.

To get a feel for the artmaking practice of that time, students created their own quick 15 minute painting en plein air (in the open air). They chose a scene outside and used quick short brushstrokes and broken colour technique to capture a moment in time, highlighting the light and movement rather than a realistic picture- perfect painting!

**Rita Kumar - Visual Arts Teacher**



## Year 9 Music

To finish up the year our Year 9 Elective Music class has been working on an independent music project. This task has allowed them to choose one of the following topic areas, which include: Jazz, Music for Film, Television and Multimedia, Music of a Culture, Rock Music or Music and Technology.

Once the students have chosen their topic of interest they have then had to create an original composition, listening portfolio and a performance piece to be submitted in Week 10 of the term. Allowing the students to be able to have a choice of their topic has been positive and I have seen a strong amount of focus and engagement in this task. They will be set to perform their independent music project song choices on Monday in Week 11 with stand out performances to be given opportunities to perform at an assembly or school event in 2022.

**Nick Ferreri - Music Teacher**







## From the Sports Field



### **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Adriana Borg and Layla Sharp (both of year 8) who were each awarded a PDSSSC Blue award from the Diocese. These students were nominated to be acknowledged for their successes in Athletics. Despite the limited opportunities for sport this year, these fine young sports women were fortunate enough to experience some success early in Term 1 which no doubt you would've read about earlier in the year, and this made them both very deserving recipients.

Layla has also been selected as the recipient of a \$1500 grant from the sport access foundation to assist with her preparations for the paralympics. This means Layla will be working with a dietician and has access to many professionals to support her as she works toward achieving her dreams. Below is what Layla had to say about this wondrous achievement:



*"Within the next year I am hoping to re-break my Australian Records in my classification and, as I get older and faster, edge closer to world records and achieve my long term goals of going to the Paralympics and Commonwealth Games."*

Congratulations to you both, Adriana and Layla.

### **Farewell and thank you**

It is with great sadness that I inform you that my time at Emmaus will come to an end at the end of this term. After 6 years of organising and coordinating Sport, both Mr Saba and Mr Safi will be replacing me in this role from 2022. It has been a privilege getting to know your sons and daughters through the opportunities that sport and our College carnivals provide. I will miss seeing their happy faces as they board their respective buses each Thursday afternoon and likewise, their happiness as they share their stories of sporting successes with me.

I thank you personally, for your support of Sport at Emmaus and wish your sons and daughters all the very best as they work hard to pursue their dreams in their chosen discipline.

Have a wonderful and well rested Christmas break and enjoy the time with your families.

*Mrs Brogan (Hely), Sport Co-ordinator*

**UNIFORM SHOP EXTENDED TRADING HOURS IN JANUARY 2022  
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**

Instructions will soon be issued by TSL as to how to book your appointment online.

The shop will open from **8am-2pm** on the following days in **JANUARY**:

Tuesday 18th  
Wednesday 19th  
Thursday 20th  
Friday 21st  
Tuesday 25th  
Thursday 27th  
Friday 28th

As you may be aware, the COVID-19 pandemic has affected businesses across the globe including manufacturing, shipping, logistics, etc. These limitations have started to impact on some of TSL's stock availability such as blazers, trousers, track jackets & pants, hoodies and sports shorts. The supplier is doing as much as possible to alleviate the matter.

**REMINDER PHOTO DAY FOR YEARS 7-11 WILL BE ON FRIDAY  
4TH FEBRUARY, 2022**

Photo order envelopes have been sent home with students. You may order online at [WWW.ADVANCEDLIFE.COM.AU](http://WWW.ADVANCEDLIFE.COM.AU) or pay on the day with exact money as no change will be given. The online order code is: ME9 NM7 HZ9.



## From the Office



### STUDENTS TAKING LEAVE DURING THE SCHOOL TERM

If parents are wishing their son/ daughter to take leave during the school term, a Leave Form must be completed.

Forms are available from the Front Office or if parents would like a form emailed to them, please contact the College Office. Leave forms are for any length of time.

There are two types of Leave Form: (i) for Travel only and (ii) all other types of leave. Students receive an Exemption Approval letter from the Principal.

### Uniform Shop

*Trading Hours during School Terms*

**Monday 12pm - 4pm**  
**Thursday 8am - 12pm**

### Our Parishes

*Holy Spirit*

Todd Row, St Clair  
Ph: 9670 8222

*Our Lady of the Rosary*

Saddington Street, St Marys  
Ph: 9623 1962

### Our K-6 Schools

*Trinity Primary*

61-83 Bakers Lane,  
Kemps Creek.  
Ph: 9834 3212

*Holy Spirit Primary*

7-17 Todd Row, St Clair  
Ph: 9670 5379

*Our Lady of the Rosary*

Yr K-6 Saddington St,  
St Marys  
Ph: 9623 2500

### DONATION OF UNIFORMS

The College is happy to take donated uniforms however due to Work, Health and Safety, we request all uniforms are washed or dry-cleaned.

### SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

Please call the College to make an appointment to see the Business Manager around whether you qualify for second hand uniforms.

### COMPASS PARENT PORTAL

If you are still unable to log onto the Compass Parent Portal after you have downloaded the Compass School App, please contact the College Office.

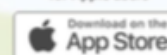
**Skoolbag Reminder: don't forget to change to the new Year Group for next year.**

### How to install the SkoolBag app

*instructions for parents and community*

1. Get your favourite mobile device
2. Open the App Store/Play Store
3. Search for "SkoolBag"
4. Download the free app
5. Open the app and add your school(s)

for Apple users



for Android users



for more info visit [skoolbag.com.au](http://skoolbag.com.au)

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### WITHDRAWING FROM THE COLLEGE

If you are withdrawing a student from the College please be advised that 10 weeks notice is required in writing.

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