



**Principal Update
P&C Meeting
Wednesday 9 February 2022**

Items

1. Student Numbers

Our College has grown from 601 students at the start of 2021 to 913 students at the commencement of 2022. 254 students commenced at the College in 2020.

2. College Staff Update

We welcome the following staff to the College for 2021.

Emily Donders	Head of Humanities and Social Science
Amelia Carpenter	Humanities and Social Science
Ayesha Ismail	Humanities and Social Science
Jesse Marsh	English
Amy Paterson	English
Gemma Riviera	Mathematics
Joshua Barker	Mathematics
Megan Geldart	Health and Physical Education
Aaron Black	Health and Physical Education
Denise Chionh	Languages - Japanese
Domenico Sacchi	Language Assistant
Marianna Piantavigna	Language Assistant
Sam Testa	Technologies
Thomas Golovoda	Technologies
Trish Bouveng	Technologies
Julie Hughes	Science
Sian Geldenhuys	Science
Grace Orifici	Science
Dale Pointon	Music
Damien Mortimer	Laboratory Technician
Nichola March	Home Economics Assistant
Rowena Beaumont	Administration Assistant
Bindy Hammond	Library Leader
Ilyssa Elliott	Education Assistant
Chetnah Sirkissoon	Education Assistant
Tully Loughnane	Education Assistant
Despina Wingate	Education Assistant
Stefan Karlsson	Education Assistant
Tim Ryan	Community Nurse

We have been fortunate to attract high quality staff that value both care of students and high quality teaching.

3. COVID-19

As of 4/02/2022, the Chief Health Officer has advised that schools should limit in-school gatherings of students and staff to class groups or small groups within a year level. This is to minimise the number of students or staff impacted by the presence of a positive case.

As a result, the following initiatives are currently impacted.

Clubs

Clubs were originally scheduled to commence in week six of term one. I have directed staff to not prepare for clubs at this point as it is possible that there may be a negative impact on our ability to deliver the programs. This decision will be reviewed throughout the term.

School competitions that require training and/or coaching outside of College hours may continue as appropriate.

Year Seven Camp

The year seven camp scheduled from 9-11 March will continue at this point, but will not be an overnight stay at the campsite. Further information will be made available as soon as possible

College Open Day

We have scheduled a College Open Day for Friday 18 February. This day was intended to invite all parents and carers to the College to meet teachers and essential services staff. This event has been cancelled in its current format as it could potentially involve over 1000 visitors accessing the College site.

Alternatives are being sought.

Friday 18 February will still be a Student Free Day.

We will communicate further changes to parents and carers as they occur.

4. Stage II Progress

Stage II is currently running on schedule. The alterations to Stage I were made over the Christmas break and some aspects currently continue. These alterations include the installation of a STEAM Lab, a Mechatronics Studio, two Engineering Labs and a Commercial Kitchen.

To accommodate the closure of Subiaco Rd, students are being asked to use the Coghlan Rd path instead. Traffic management on Coghlan Rd and Subiaco Rd has been provided by contractors.