**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL NEWS**

Welcome back
Welcome back to all students and a special welcome to all students and parents who are new to the College. After such a lovely summer break, it was a little shocking for students and staff to be back at school, but classes are now in full swing. Many staff at the College spent a fair portion of their holidays working on teaching programs, timetables, building projects, background reading and so forth. We all look forward to providing the best education we can for our students.

**Student Leader Camp**
On 29th January, sixteen student leaders from the secondary campus and four staff members set out for the Far South Wilderness Camp. Over the next two days, the students were immersed in learning more about their Sacred Heart College heritage and ethos. The students researched and gave presentations on pioneer figures such as Julian Tenison Woods, Mary MacKillop, Sr. Hyacinth Quinlan and Sr. Frances McCarthy. Staff gave mini-talks on aspects of leadership. Scenarios which included potential problems the students may encounter were discussed in light of the newly learned skills and knowledge. At the end of the first day, the students kindly went to bed at about midnight, allowing the teachers some much needed sleep!

On the second day, Fr. Richard Ross presented on different personality styles and then led us in mass. The students very much appreciated the ‘cool’ Priest and the way he worked with them. The final session was set aside for the election of College captains and vice-captains. Voting was done entirely by the student leaders. Congratulations to Georgia Blizzard and Jack McNamara on their election as College captains and Lily Jeffries and Josh Beechey on being elected as College vice-captains. An official commissioning will take place at the College Opening Event on 16th March.

The student leaders had a follow up planning day at school and have ‘hit the ground running’ with a student newspaper (the Mary Mac Goss), bazaar and committees all underway. We wish them well in their work this year.

**UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS**

**Blazers:**
Must be worn to and from school unless excused on hot days (via P.A. or Home Room Teacher).

**Shoes:**
Black leather or polishable lace up shoes (not boots) must be worn with the uniform. For safety reasons, shoes, including sports shoes, must be lace up and robust (not canvas or soft material).

**Hats/Caps:**
Must be worn properly, free of graffiti and not bent or altered in shape.

**Non-Uniform Items:**
There must be no non-uniform items worn with the uniform. These include overcoats, baseball caps, beanies etc and no visible non-uniform items worn under the uniform.

**Hair & Make Up:**
No unnatural colouring of hair is permitted. Hair must be neatly groomed. If shoulder length or longer, hair must be tied back. No extremes of hairstyle or colour are permitted. No make up, nail polish etc. is permitted.

**Jewellery:**
Earrings or studs only, one in each ear lobe. One only simple bangle or wristband. No other jewellery is permitted. No large, ‘diamante’ earrings.

**Trousers, trackpants:**
Must be worn appropriately with waistband on hips. There must be no visible underwear.

**Skirt or Tunic length:**
No greater than 5 cm above the knee when kneeling

**Sports Shoes:**
Sports shoes must be supportive (runners, cross trainers etc), predominantly white in colour or in colours sympathetic with the uniform colours. Suede or skateboard shoes, Dunlop Volleys, basketball boots etc. are not to be worn.

**Belts:**
No ‘brand’ or webbing belts. Belts must be plain grey or black. Plain, discreetly sized buckles only.
OTHER EXPECTATIONS

Gum:
Gum is not permitted on campus. Students chewing gum will receive an after-school detention.

Ipods:
Ipods are not permitted during class time, except if they are being used for an educational purpose.

Mobile phones:
At the secondary campus, mobile phones are not to be seen during class time, unless under exceptional circumstances negotiated with the teacher. It is strongly recommended that mobile phones are kept in lockers all day.

Eamonn Pollard—Deputy Principal

CANTEEN NEWS

Due to an increase in costs by our suppliers we have unfortunately had to increase our prices accordingly. Enclosed in this newsletter is the current price list.

PLEASE NOTE:
Due to changes in the primary timetable, lunch orders by secondary students must be placed at recess and collected by 12.45pm. **There will be no counter sales for secondary students before 1pm.**

AMENDED DATE FOR THE COLLEGE CALENDAR

Please note your College calendars that the date for family photos are to be taken is to be Friday, 7th May and not Thursday 13th May.