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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our Year 12 students are well into the HSC examinations and will have completed this challenge before our next newsletter.

Their Graduation formal to be held in a fortnight celebrates their school years and we look forward to their next steps. As one year concludes its time, students in the new year 12 are already well into their final year programs. Parents, teachers and students came together last week for discussion and prayer for Year 12 at the annual dedication evening. It was a very positive occasion to focus attention on the challenge ahead.

Over 100 Junior School students and a large number of staff attended Jam camp last weekend at the Hacking River Youthworks site next to the Royal National Park. Lots of fun and learning about key Bible stories across the weekend has been a successful event for a number of years and on your behalf let me thank this group of energetic staff for their efforts. We were also reminded again of the very positive impact of Mr Hazlewood, who had been a key member of the Jam Camp staff in previous years. Last week, Mr Hazelwood's funeral was attended by hundreds of friends and colleagues, with many members of the Thomas Hassall community present. Our prayers and support continue for Mrs Hazlewood and the children.

The 2020 musical Peter Pan is underway with lots of interest registered by students across the grades, both junior and senior. It will be a significant event in our 20th year early in Term 2. Let me draw your attention to the notices and updates about the musical which will be available in the newsletters between now and term 2 next year.

Thank you for your patience and understanding of the changes required to traffic plans and to the

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drop-off and pick up of children as a result of the renovation to the Admin building. Progress is occurring quickly and we are looking forward to additional spaces for the sick-bay, offices and interview rooms. It looks to be completed early in the new year.

At this time of the year, we are engaged in the employment of new staff and preparing for the start of the next College year. In 2020 we will bring an additional Deputy Principal into the executive staff and it is a pleasure to announce that Mr David Butler, our current Director of Operations in the Senior School will be promoted to this additional senior role. Mr Butler joins Mr Young and our new Deputy/Head of Junior School Mrs Sandy Wheeler in leadership at an exciting time for the College.

Thank you for your continued support of the College programs and community.

'Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience...' ***Colossians 3:12***

Mr Ross Whelan
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