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## FROM THE SENIOR SCHOOL ACADEMIC DEAN OF STUDENTS

**It's hard to believe how fast time goes by when we are busy.**

We have now reached the half way point of Term 1. I have been happy to see so many examples of learning in action across the College over these last few weeks.

Our Year 11 students have begun their journey towards the 2023 HSC. It's a step up from their Stage 5 studies and they are learning the value of being organised as they begin submitting assessment tasks. At the same time, the Year 12 HSC students are very close to the halfway point of their HSC journey. They are just weeks away from being able to submit their university applications as they open on April 12. So many decisions to be made in the weeks and months ahead, it's an exciting time for them.

The after school Study Centre has continued to be a very popular destination for students in Years 7-12. A place where students can access help with their homework, assessments and test preparation. It's a wonderful resource provided by the College and all senior school students are welcome. If you are intending to come along to Study Centre please remember to bring along work to do or a book to read. Attendance at Study Centre is voluntary, so please ensure that you come along with the intention to work quietly and productively. Electronic and computer games are not permitted. Parents, could you ensure you collect your child via the JBlock carpark pick-up area. The Study Centre operates Monday-Thursday from 2.40pm - 5.00pm.

Finally, as state borders have now reopened, a number of Request for Leave applications have been submitted. Could I remind parents that all extended leave requests must be made in writing.

The application forms can be found via the College website. The College follows the NSW Government guidelines in accordance with their school attendance policy. Therefore, requests for leave for the purpose of a holiday for students in Years 10-12 will not be approved. The implications of taking unapproved leave is that in-class assessment tasks and examinations will not be moved and this will impact student results. Leave for compassionate reasons will be assessed on a case by case basis.

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