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As we head towards these colder months, there continues to be lots of rich activities for our students to participate in and plenty on the horizon in the teaching and learning space.

I wanted to particularly share with you about our recent Road Safety campaign with our Year 11 students. It is currently National Road Safety Week which is occurring nationwide from the 14th-21st of May and the theme of this year is “Pledge to Drive so others Survive”. It was a really powerful session put together with the help of the PDHPE Department. I want to thank Miss Stewart for her courage and candour in speaking about her recent journey of recovery after a serious vehicle accident. Year 12 students Annika, Aleksandra, Eliana and Konstantina shared their personal experiences of road trauma also and what they have learned since being able to drive themselves. Sharing like this takes great courage and I commend them for their willingness to speak with Year 11 in this way. It was fantastic to have Harvey Weir; Mr Weir’s father join us. He has spent 21 Years in the NSW fire brigade and was able to talk about his experiences, the role of the Fire Brigade in road accidents and the impacts road fatalities have on first responders and the community. I am certain that our Year 11 students have learned a great deal through attending this session.

Next week, our Year 10 students will undertake their Mid-Course Examinations, and so preparation will have begun in earnest by now. This group heard from Mr Broadbent in a Study Skills seminar not too long ago and they will be busy putting all of those suggestions into place. Please assist them with their preparations by helping them find a time and a place to thoroughly revise the material that will be tested.

You will have heard through the media information about impending curriculum changes for several subjects across both Junior School and Senior School. Our staff in the Maths, English, Languages, Geography and Computing departments will be busily preparing for the changes being implemented in 2024. Thankfully many of the planned changes to other subjects have been slowed down to allow for greater consultation with teachers across the state before implementation occurs. It is another item that adds to the complexity of the role of our teachers and we are ever thankful for the professional and passionate teachers that we are blessed with at the College. Thank you for your continued support of them over these coming years of implementation!

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