



THE WAY

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It is a pleasure to welcome you to our first edition of The Way for 2024. We have enjoyed our first full week of learning and activities as well as met many new families and students. It has been really lovely to walk around the college and interact with students as they settle into new routines.

Learning is a process where new experiences and information need to become familiar in order for confidence to grow. These early weeks are an excellent time for all of us to establish good habits early in the school year whether we are new to Thomas Hassall, in a new year or class or returning to a known context. Meeting many of you this week at the café, or in the Prep and Kindergarten classes, has been wonderful. I am keen to partner with you and to support the learning journey of every student in the College.

We also welcome new staff to the College. There will be opportunities to meet them at the upcoming parent information evenings if you haven't already been able to put names and faces together. The College is blessed with excellent staff in all areas and I am grateful for their contributions and commitment to the education of our students.

This week our Senior School students have had their annual camps. Please enjoy the photos and stories about their time away. Next week we will have our swimming carnivals for both Junior and Senior students and I am really looking forward to cheering on the effort and participation in the various events.

Our Year 12 prefects attended a special commissioning service at St Andrew's Cathedral on

Thursday. The gathering included students from Anglican schools around Sydney who were able to share in the responsibility of being leaders and role models.

You will have noticed the absence of the old maths block if you drive along Flynn Avenue. The new building will take shape over the coming months which will be exciting to witness. Planning is already underway for the innovative opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics that will be available in this new STEM space.

Please enjoy reading about the start to the year. We publish the newsletter every fortnight to capture the life of the College. The photos certainly paint a vibrant picture of what has been a fabulous beginning to 2024.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

Proverbs 3:5-6

Mrs Karen Easton
Principal
