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## FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - SENIOR SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT

### **Reflections on the Journey & the Road Ahead**

This week marked the conclusion of the Yearly Exams—what a relief! The HSC has also come to an end. A huge congratulations to all our students for their hard work and perseverance. We can only imagine the collective sighs of relief and the quiet celebrations happening in homes across the community. Well done to everyone who has journeyed with us so far.

But the journey doesn't stop here. The HSC challenge continues for the 2025 Year 12 cohort, who have now officially embarked on their final year. Teachers are once again navigating the well-trodden path of the HSC program, with assessments already underway. As we look ahead, we call on our community to stay steady, consistent, and responsible in how we care for one another—whether in the classroom, the playground, or in our relationships. This means showing care for one another right through to the end of term.

### **Year 10 Reflects on 'Caring' for the Community**

This week, Year 10 had the opportunity to reflect on what 'caring' for our community really looks like. At our College, 'caring' isn't just an abstract concept—it's about putting personal preferences aside and taking action for the benefit of others. This is the essence of 'service', which is one of the core values of our College.



Our vision of growing 'Excellence in Learning, Wisdom, and Service' is a powerful one, but it's not just words on a page. It requires structure, intentionality, and opportunities for our students to develop in a way that supports both their personal growth and the well-being of the wider community. This week, over 150 students engaged in service activities, ranging from visiting elderly community members to assisting with charity organisations, helping with College gardens, and supporting the Junior School in a wide range of areas.

As Christmas approaches, students are also contributing to our tradition of 'service learning.' They've been involved in packing hampers for those in need this holiday season. Alongside these practical actions, they are gaining a deeper understanding of why service is such a priority at the College. Taking time to reflect on how we can care for others is an important part of building stronger, healthier communities.

## **Thank You, Parents and Families**

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parents who have supported their children in participating in this important initiative. There's still much to look forward to as we approach the end of the year, including the Silver Dukes hike, upcoming sporting events, Creative Arts performances, and ongoing classroom learning.

Together, let's continue to work with joy and optimism as we finish what has been a very busy and rewarding school year.

God Bless,

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