



Dear Parents and Caregivers

Please find below the Week 3 Term 3 edition of the Parental Lion Roars.

Blessings,

Mr Daniel Petrie

Acting Assistant Principal

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the
Date

Week 3: HSC Trials all week

Week 4: HSC Trials all week, (Thur 15/8) Feast of the Assumption Mass

Week 5: (Mon) HSC Trials, (Thur 22/8) Parent Involvement Evening

Week 6: (Thur 29/8) Father's Day Liturgy and breakfast

Week 7: (Wed 4/9) HSC Showcase

Week 8: (Tues 10/9) Stage 4 SLC

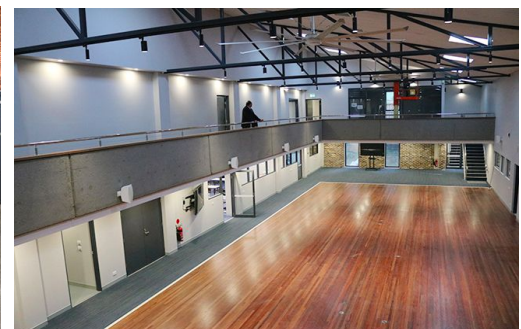
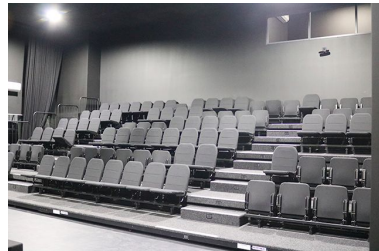
Week 9: (Wed 18/9) Y12 Academic Awards Ceremony and 2020 College Leader Induction

Week 10: (Wed 25/9) Graduation Mass and Graduation Ceremony

From the College Principal:

Completion of the Mary MacKillop Centre:

It is with great elation that the College opened the doors to the Mary MacKillop Centre on Monday. Over \$14 million has been contributed to ensure this state of the art facility provides a world class purposeful learning environment.





A detailed pictorial will be distributed to parents to showcase the vast array of specialist learning areas on offer. Parents will also be offered tours in due course.

Landscaping Works:

The College has commenced the landscaping works following the completion of the Mary MacKillop Centre, Chapel and Aquinas Resource Centre.

The landscaping works will provide a large elevated piazza area known as 'Chanel Way' which will be a highly sort after recreational area and major thoroughfare connecting the northern and southern sides of the campus.

As a result, the College reception entrance will be closed for this term. Parents and visitors are requested to enter via the Student Services entry which is to the left of reception.

College Student Leaders:

The 2020 Student Leadership Group will be announced tomorrow. Following this announcement the 2020 team will be officially inducted in a transferal of leadership ceremony on Wednesday 18th September in Week 9, where they will each receive the stole of service from their predecessors. Families will receive an invitation to the ceremony following the official announcement at the College.

A College of Growth:

St Leo's has not only expanded its facilities and course offerings but has also expanded its enrolment growth. Presently waiting lists apply for a number of year groups. If families are wishing to enrol students at the College, families are encouraged to complete the application process as soon as possible. The College is currently accepting limited applications for 2020, 2021, 2022.

From the Acting Assistant Principal:

Senior School Parental Involvement Evening - Thursday 22nd August
4:00 - 6:00 & 7:00 - 9:00pm - Mary MacKillop Centre:



St Leo's Catholic College
**HIGHER EDUCATION
& CAREERS EXPO**

The College is pleased to offer an evening for students of **Year 10, 11, 12 of 2020**, dedicated to exploring the many **early entry methods to university**. The College will be



hosting representatives from four major universities as well as Tafe NSW and the Defence Force.

Their presentations will reveal the various avenues on offer to gain **early entry** into these institutions before sitting the HSC. Following the presentations, parents will be invited to visit each of their booths within the expo to discover how these tertiary institutions can meet the needs of your child. Please RSVP via the booking link below as only 140 tickets are available for each session to this highly sought after event.

RSVP Link: <https://www.trybooking.com/BENHG>

SLC - Student Led Conferences, Years 7-8:

On Tuesday 10 September, the College will be hosting the first round of Student Led Conferences for Years 7 - 8 from 8:30am - 5:30pm. Each student will lead one conference for approximately 20mins with their Mentor and Parent/Caregivers to discuss and showcase their learning journey thus far. Student Led Conferences place students in the driver's seat of their learning, while providing them with increased agency and accountability in relation to their learning.

Students will lead a discussion of their learning using the following as vehicles for the discussion:

- ePortfolio
- PLP - Personalised Learning Plan
- Academic and Passion Goals
- Reflections on their evidence regarding their development in each of the Growth Domains and the 6 Deep Learning Skills

Students will be required to critically reflect on their learning, their goals, where they have grown or regressed and why this has taken place.

The PTO system for this event will open for bookings on Monday 26 August via instructions that will be listed in the Parental Lion Roars for that week.

Student conduct and uniform while travelling between the College and Waitara Station:

The College maintains a zero tolerance policy towards uniform and conduct infringements when travelling to and from the College. The College enjoys a long standing reputation of excellence in this regard. Additional staff duties have been set in place to ensure that current and future cohorts are supported in their continuation of such standards. Expectations are clearly outlined in the College diary.

Feast of the Assumption Mass Invitation:

All parents and caregivers are warmly invited to the Feast of the Assumption Mass on the 15th August at 9:30am in the Light of Christ Centre. It will be a combined celebration



between the Cathedral Parish, Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School and St Leo's Catholic College.

Director of Students:

Uniform:

Students are expected to be attired in full Winter uniform including blazer every day except if a student has Sport. Other garments (such as hoodies) that are worn to the College will be confiscated. If students have an issue with uniform/grooming on a particular day, they should see their Year Leader before 8:30am and obtain a Uniform Pass. All students are expected to wear the blazer to and from the College every day this term. Year 12 may continue wearing their College jersey. Please see the Student Diary if any uniform/grooming expectations need clarification. **Regular uniform inspections** will be occurring every week during each term.

Student Leave Forms:

Where necessary circumstances require student leave from the College, parents/caregivers are required in the first instance to make a formal written (email) application to the Principal for exemption from attendance. If the student leave is approved, which is not automatic, respective students have permission to negotiate the completion of any applicable assessment task(s) with both their subject teacher and respective KLA Leader, should the task(s) fall due within the leave period. Depending on their submitted leave request, students are required to make contact with ALL teachers via the relevant College application form and ensure that the classwork and assessment sections are fully completed. It is important to note that the College does not support families taking extended holidays during term time and/or during College examination periods as it impacts on a student's learning.

Student Services:

All students are expected to sign in at Student Services if they arrive late to School and also sign-out if they have an early departure. This expectation is extremely important so that the College has an accurate account of student movements. The College would appreciate your support in reminding your son/daughter of this requirement.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support and please do not hesitate to contact the College if there are any queries or concerns.