



Wednesday, 25 January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Welcome back to our 2023 School Year!

I trust you have had a wonderful, rejuvenating break over Christmas with family and friends. It's been my pleasure to spend the past couple of weeks getting to know staff and I am very excited to be a member of this dedicated community.

I know all teachers are looking forward to welcoming the students back and working together in partnership with parents and carers to provide the best Christian educational experience possible.

Years 1-12 students will return to school next Monday 30 January. Primary students should arrive by 8.35am and secondary students by 8.25am. (Our Kindergarten students will start on Monday 6 February).

## New Students to NCS

We are excited to have a number of new families joining our NCS community this year.

We have put the following plans in place to ensure that the transition to our school for new students is both a happy and smooth one. **New families are requested to arrive at school by 8.15am.** Please take your child/ren to meet our Enrolments Officer, Mrs Dickinson at the red tent located on the grassed area between the church and school office. Students will then be directed to an area to meet with their relevant Class Teacher Aide (Primary) or Year Advisor (Secondary). Parents/carers are welcome to remain with their child/ren until the bell goes if this assists with their transition.

During your child's first morning, every new student will be allocated a student buddy or buddies and these students will ensure that your son or daughter feels well looked after throughout their first days at NCS.

Parents/carers of new students are invited to also join us in the Church Hall for the Welcome Back Assembly which will commence at 8.45am.

## Returning Students to NCS

### Primary

As primary students arrive on the first day, they will be instructed to place their school bags outside their Stage Area classrooms. Staff will be on hand to help point them in the right direction. To assist with your child/ren's transition back to school, parents/carers are welcome to accompany their child to place their bag in the designated area and then into the playground on the first morning until the bell rings. Following the bell, students will attend our Year 1-12 Welcome Back Assembly in the Church Hall. Parents/carers are also welcome to attend.

### Primary designated bag areas

- Stage 1 (Years 1-2) - outside last year's Year 1 classrooms
- Stage 2 (Years 3-4) outside last year's Year 2 classrooms
- Stage 3 (Years 5-6) - outside the canteen

### Secondary

#### Year 7 students

Returning students who are starting Year 7 will meet their Year Advisor, Mrs Rebel outside the MPC Gallery. Students should also ensure they have their charged laptop with them on the first day. Mrs Rebel will escort all of Year 7 to the Church Hall for the Welcome Back Assembly.

#### Year 8-12 students

On arrival, students should place their bags at the relevant room listed below. Their Year Advisors will meet them at this room and take them to the Years 1-12 Welcome Back Assembly in the Church Hall during period 1. All students should come to school prepared with a charged laptop.

- Year 8 - Room 16A
- Year 9 - Room 35
- Year 10 - Room 26
- Seniors - Senior Common Room

### Welcome Back Assembly - 8.45am

We will be holding a Welcome Back Assembly in the Church Hall at 8.45am on Monday 30 January. All parents/carers are invited to join us at this assembly.

### Canteen

NCS Canteen will be open for online lunch orders from Monday 30 January. Please be sure to place your order online before 8.30am using your [My School Connect](#) account.

If you have not used [My School Connect](#) before, please register an account and then login to order.

The Canteen will be open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays during school term.



## End of School Day

Pick up time for Years 1 - 6 students is 2.45 pm. Parents should park in the carpark and walk to the area outside the Uniform Room (in the Admin Building) to collect their child. Students will be supervised under the undercover area outside Rooms 3-4 until you arrive to collect them.

Secondary students can be picked up from the flagpole area after 2.50pm.

Students travelling by bus are escorted to the bus lines on the Basketball Courts. Should your child be travelling by bus for the first time, please contact the office to ensure the class teacher is informed.

I am looking forward to meeting all students and their families as the school year progresses.

Kinds Regards,



Graeme Jolliffe

Principal

