



St Joseph's Memorial School

A Catholic educational setting in the Josephite tradition
Early Learning to Year 7

19 March 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Recently you received some information regarding the 2020 move of Year 7 students to a secondary environment for the Catholic primary schools in the Eastern Region, including our school, St Joseph's Memorial, Norwood.

When that information was distributed, we indicated that more details regarding a Catholic secondary pathway would be forthcoming. Accordingly, please find attached a number of letters from our local Catholic Colleges who are keen to support a continuing Catholic education pathway for your child at the conclusion of Year 6.

These Colleges are: Loreto College, Mary MacKillop College, Rostrevor College and Saint Ignatius College.

I urge you to consider one of these schools, or indeed any other Catholic College, as a destination for your child in the future. Each of our Colleges have very successful SACE outcomes and excellent pastoral care programs. These schools are willing to discuss any issues of importance to you including transition programs, curriculum offerings or affordability.

If I can help broker a conversation, or help you in any way make an approach and explain your circumstances to a school that you are considering, please contact our front office and make an appointment to see me in the near future.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brady Stallard'.

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**LORETO
COLLEGE**

Marryatville, South Australia

19 March 2018

Dear Parents

As Principal of Loreto College, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as well as provide you with some insights into our beautiful school and what it means to have a Loreto education. As such, I hope to introduce to you a secondary pathway for your daughter in continuing a Catholic education from Year 7 2020.

Celebrating 113 years in Adelaide, Loreto College Marryatville is one of seven Loreto independent schools across Australia. Our sister Loreto schools are located in New South Wales (Kirribilli and Normanhurst), Victoria (Toorak and Ballarat), Queensland (Coorparoo) and Western Australia (Nedlands). Together with over 150 Loreto schools world-wide, we share a strong belief in the education of girls in becoming confident, articulate, and successful young women.

At Loreto College we have an undying belief in the capacity of girls and young women and consider that being a girl is to be celebrated. We also believe that a girls' school environment is the best place for girls to be educated, and it is here that girls learn to challenge gender stereotypes, develop a confident and articulate voice that will hold them in good stead in the future, develop leadership capacity in all forums, and be comfortable within themselves. To then do this in a values based Catholic school under the Loreto tradition means that we are developing young women who will not only have the capability to make a difference to their world, but they will do this from an ethical and moral framework. There truly can be no better foundation to educate young women.

I encourage you to learn more about Loreto by attending a College Tour at 9.00am on one of the following dates:

- **Tuesday 5 June**
- **Friday 17 August**
- **Monday 17 September**
- **Friday 16 November**

We also provide families with private tours at a time and date of their own choosing and encourage girls considering Loreto to participate in our 'Day at Loreto' program in order to experience our friendly school environment. Please contact the Enrolment Manager on 83344 200 to arrange these options.

To assist families, we offer a range of financial incentives, including:

- Sibling discounts on Tuition Fees (second child: 15%; third child: 30%; fourth+ child: 60%)
- All-rounder Scholarships (new students only)
- Music Scholarships (new and continuing students)
- Academic Scholarships (new and continuing students)

For further information, please contact the Enrolment Office on 83344 200 and visit our website www.loreto.sa.edu.au. We look forward to welcoming you to our beautiful school in the near future.

Yours sincerely

N. Archard

Dr Nicole Archard
PRINCIPAL

Educating strong, passionate and confident girls and young women.



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14 March 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I invite you to consider Mary MacKillop College as the next place of education for your daughter.

Mary MacKillop College proudly educates girls in the Josephite tradition, strives for excellence and seeks to empower young women to be self-assured and well prepared for higher education, training and work. We are committed to energising and equipping our girls to lead and fully participate in all that life has to offer.

We are committed to supporting families in this time of transition. Our Year 7 2019 fee will be comparable to the Year 7 fee at local source Catholic Primary Schools. Our school offers generous fee reductions for families depending on their personal financial circumstances. This could be part of a confidential discussion prior to commencing the enrolment process. As someone who has had two children at Catholic schools from Reception until Year 12, I understand the significant commitment that parents make to send their children to Catholic schools. My children are now adults and I have never regretted the investment that my husband and I made in their Catholic education.

Mary MacKillop College is a small school and our goal is to have a school of around 500 students. We believe that our small size enables us to have quality relationships between staff and students. When your daughter attends our College, be reassured that she will be well known, valued and cared for by our professional staff.

Over a number of years we have achieved excellent SACE results with a number of our students gaining Merits in a variety of subjects. Most importantly we work to ensure that every student has an identified post school pathway.

We warmly invite you to the College to attend one of our Principal's Tours throughout the year and for your daughter to experience a day through our Come 'n' Try days. I also encourage you to visit our website www.marymackillop.sa.edu.au and Facebook page to gain a sense of all that we offer our girls through our academic program, leadership experiences and extra curricula activities.

I look forward to meeting with you and discussing your daughter's education and future pathway and invite you to contact my PA/Registrar Justine Sheehy 8333 6300 for any enrolment enquiries.

Kind regards,

Kath McQuigan
Principal

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A CATHOLIC ALL BOYS' DAY & BOARDING
COLLEGE IN THE EDMUND RICE TRADITION
Reception to Year 12

14 March 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I am delighted to have the opportunity to write to you following the announcement that the structure of Catholic schools in our region will change at the end of 2019.

With over ninety years of experience educating Year 7 boys in our Junior School, Rostrevor College has embraced the move of Year 7 into secondary where it aligns perfectly with the Australian curriculum. With greater access to specialist teachers and facilities, Year 7 fits comfortably within our existing middle school environment where boys are taught by a team of teachers who know them well and how to bring out the best in each of them.

Most importantly, our newest boys who commenced at Rostrevor in Year 7 in 2018 are loving the new challenges and interesting range of learning opportunities available to them in the secondary setting. These same boys, along with their new Rostrevor buddies, are also helping us to shape the transition program for boys joining us in 2019 and 2020.

Investing in your child's education represents a significant commitment for all families. Later in 2018 we look forward to launching our next Strategic Plan that will guide the development of Rostrevor over the next five years. In setting out this vision for our future, we are committed to providing all families with access to an affordable, world class, Catholic education for their sons. With this in mind, I encourage you to contact me directly if you would like to know more about how we work with individual families to make a Rostrevor education possible for boys from diverse family backgrounds and financial circumstances.

Given the significance of the change in education pathways for families in our local Catholic schools, Rostrevor is committed to supporting families during this time of transition. We welcome enrolment enquiries from families who would like to explore the option of a single year at Rostrevor in 2020 for Year 7.

Finally, having worked through similar changes in other regions and states, I know that it is important for parents to have plenty of opportunities to discuss their circumstances with local Principals in order to make the best decision for their child. Therefore, I look forward to visiting your Primary School in the weeks ahead for an informal Q&A session and I encourage you to contact me directly at Rostrevor if you would like to know more about how we would work with you to ensure that your son makes a smooth transition into secondary school.

Yours faithfully

Brian Schumacher
Principal

16 March 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

You recently received information related to the South Australian Commission for Catholic Schools (SACCS) decision not to extend the Year 7 exemption for relocation beyond 2019.

Catholic primary schools in the Eastern region will join most other primary schools in Australia placing Year 7 in a secondary setting from 2020.

At Saint Ignatius' College we believe in the advantages of Year 7 in a secondary setting; and moved our Year 7 students from our Junior School at Norwood to our Senior School at Athelstone in 1996. We recognise though, that this transition may cause some anxiety for some families who are unsure about the 'next step' or pathway for their child beyond Year 6 in 2019.

The Principals of Catholic secondary schools in our region are keen to offer a pathway to our families currently in Catholic primary schools who are affected by this emerging circumstance.

Some families may require a short-term placement in Year 7 only for 2020 and Saint Ignatius' College is willing to assist families wherever possible.

Others may consider a longer arrangement or are unsure of what may happen beyond 2020. Saint Ignatius' College will seek to be responsive to the needs of individual families.

In consultation with CESA, we are currently developing a financial assistance package which may be accessed by families who are affected by these unique transition arrangements.

The College holds regular tours of our Senior School for prospective families. We warmly invite you to our next tour which will be held on **Thursday 5 April, from 9:30am**.

Please contact our College Registrar, Monica Klingberg (08 8334 9348), to find out more information about tours or enrolments.

Included is a [link](#) to information that you may find helpful in considering your options.

Saint Ignatius' College is proudly a Catholic school in the Ignatian tradition and we work closely with our families in the formation of the young people in our care so that they may become all that God calls them to be.

I hope that your child is able to experience this grace in their schooling, wherever that may be.

With every good wish,

Yours sincerely



Mr Peter Coffey
Principal

