24 January 2014

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2014 Academic Year at St Gregory’s College. A particularly warm welcome to the new families joining this wonderful community and I wish you every happiness and success in your family’s time at the College.

The purpose of this letter is threefold. Firstly, to introduce myself to those who do not know me. For the last seven years I have been Director of Boarding at St Gregory’s College, previously having held senior and middle manager positions at Marist College Canberra and St Stanislaus’ College in Bathurst. It is my intention to get to know you and your sons throughout your time here and assist where possible and appropriate.

Secondly, it is to remind all boys of the importance of returning to school appropriately groomed and having the expected uniform. Below is the extract from the Student Diary regarding expectations:

HAIRCUTS – Read carefully: Students are required to wear their hair in a neat and tidy manner. Haircuts should be of an even grade. Hair should be well brushed and combed and it is assumed that hair will not be in such a condition as to invite comment. Pg34

No member of the College community wishes to start the year, or anytime for that matter, having to have initial comments being negative ones around grooming. I ask that you support the College with this expectation.

Finally to give some information regarding the first day, Wednesday 29th January. There will be a College Assembly held in the Br Luke Hall to begin the day. All parents, particularly those in Year 7 and others new to the College, are warmly invited to attend. Parking will be at the Farm and around the Boarding Houses and staff and students will be there to assist with traffic control. Year 7 students will then complete the day at 2.15pm. Those students who are being collected by car and do not have an older sibling can be collected from the bus bays at 2.15pm-2.40pm. Parents arriving outside these times for Year 7, will need to park at the Farm. Those with older siblings can be collected by their older brother from the grassed areas near the volleyball courts after school and then be collected from the usual drop off/pick up zone. Those catching a bus will be taken to the relevant bus area at 3pm. The students will be supervised at all times.

A reminder also that you are encouraged to download the St Greg’s app from the app store!

Again, welcome to the 2014 Academic Year at St Gregory’s College and many thanks for the trust you place in the College to assist in forming your sons into the Fine Young Men.

Best Wishes

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