2 May 2013

Dear Parents/Carers,

This letter is to inform you of an initiative at the College to assist students to develop skills in a range of areas including time management, personal organisation, revision skills and exam preparation.

This initiative contains three main elements:

1. **Study Skills Seminar**
   The Study Skills Seminar for Year 7 students (presented by Enhanced Learning Educational Services) will be held at the College on 6 May. During this session, the boys will focus on revision skills and exam preparation.

2. **Parent/Student Study Skills Information Evening**
   To complement the Study Skills Seminars conducted for students, the College has asked Enhanced Learning Educational Services to convene a Parent/Student Information session on Monday May 20 at 7.30pm in the Donovan Centre. The evening will run for just over an hour. The boys are required to wear full winter uniform to this session.

3. **Study Skills Booklet**
   This booklet has been created in order to assist students in Years 7 and 8 as they progress through Stage 4 of the curriculum at St Gregory’s College. It incorporates information, various strategies and a range of activities all designed to enhance academic achievement and student learning.

   It is envisaged that the information provided here will assist students to develop the skills required to successfully complete the first two years of high school. Some of the content contained in the booklet will be addressed and explored during Pastoral Care lessons throughout the remainder of the year. Students will be required to bring this booklet with them to these lessons.

   Your son should feel free to read through any sections that are relevant to him at any given time. Parents are also encouraged to read through the booklet and to assist, where possible, in the implementation of suggested techniques and strategies. In many instances, parents can be a key contributor in helping students to become effective learners.

   These booklets will be issued at the Parent/Student Study Skills Information evening.

Should you have any questions regarding the initiative, please contact either of us at the College.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Catherine Keegan
Director of Teaching and Learning

Mr Stephen Hartnett
Year 7 Coordinator

I will / will not be able to attend the Year 7 Parent/Student Study Skills Information Evening to be held in the Donovan Centre on Monday May 20 commencing at 7.30pm.

Student’s Name: ___________________________ Homeroom:_________ Total number attending : _________

(including your son)

Parent’s Signature: __________________________

Reply slip to be returned to the Homeroom teacher by Monday 6 May 2013