



## LEARNING UPDATE - 13

Friday 28th August, 2020

*Working so that our students feel they are known, understood, valued and **learning**.*

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**Dear Parents / Caregivers,**

Thanks for your support over the past months as we have had to adapt and change to meet the requirements posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. Our staff have worked very hard to keep our students focused and learning and I would like to applaud them for their commitment. We are trying to maintain important practices. With the help of staff volunteers we have reintroduced serving breakfast on a Tuesday morning and this has been very successful.

**Unfortunately, with the current restrictions it has been necessary to cancel our musical for next year.** This is very disappointing for the students involved and the staff, however, with current COVID-19 restrictions this is the only decision that can be made. There is little point continuing rehearsals under these circumstances. We are hoping to offer the students who have been involved an opportunity to perform in a different context later this year.

Thanks to all the parents / caregivers who took the time to complete **the “Tell Them From Me” survey**. This feedback will be invaluable as we begin planning for 2021.

**Come and see how we work at St Clare’s.**

Just a reminder that we are **conducting school tours every morning at 9.00am and Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons at 3.00pm**. As a member of our community you are more than welcome to come and look at the new facilities and see first hand how our teachers and students are working in our new learning spaces. As we are unable to run large scale school tours, under current restrictions, we are more than happy to show you around either individually or in a very small group. There is no need to contact us or book please just come to the school office.

We are doing a tour with all of our Year 7 enrolments for 2021 as they come in to sign their contract.



## Mary Mackillop Feast Day

This week, Mackillop House students reflected on the significance of Australia's First Saint and the contribution she has made to Australia.

Mary Mackillop and her legacy challenges us to make a difference in our community. She also challenges us to role-model, through our actions and example, the ways in which we can make our community a better place for all.



## Parents / Carers of Year 12 Students

**Year 12 lessons re-commence on Monday, 31st August.** Year 12 students will be expected to return in full school uniform, ready to make the best of their last four weeks of lessons. It will be important that Year 12 students use this important time to reflect on their performance in the Trial Exams and plan for improvement for their HSC exams which start early next term.

Please see a sample of some of the Year 12 students' HSC Major Works submitted to NESA this week. These are clear examples of what students can achieve with hard work, effort over time, and positive engagement with teachers during lessons. With commitment, students can leave St Clare's as graduates with lots to celebrate and lots to offer their communities.



## Parents/Carers of Year 11 Students

Please find the attached [Year 11 Yearly Exam Schedule](#) given to students this week. Year 11 students are required to be at each school at least 30 minutes before each exam. They are to wear the full school uniform or full sport uniform. Your support in helping Year 11 students to meet these expectations for their examinations is much appreciated. If you have any questions about the Year 11 examinations, requirements, or how you can best help your children prepare, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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