



14 December 2018

### **SCHOOL OPENING**

**Tuesday, 29 January 2019** - All staff return. *School Office opens 11.30am.*

Normal office hours will resume (During school terms - 8.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday)

### **RESUMPTION OF CLASSES**

**Wednesday, 30 January 2019** - All students in Years 7, 11 and 12 return.  
School commences at 8:40am.

A sausage sizzle will be provided at lunch time for all Years 7, 11 and 12 students. Students are requested to ensure that they bring their own food for recess and cold drinks.

**All new students in Years 8, 9 and 10 are to attend until 10:15am for a brief orientation of the school.** This is an opportunity for them to meet other new students as well as their Year Coordinator. It also provides them with an opportunity to familiarise themselves with the school grounds and facilities. Morning tea will be provided for all new students in Years 8, 9 and 10. Parents/carers of new students in Years 8 to 10 are requested to make arrangements to collect their child/ren at 10:15am.

**Thursday, 31 January 2019** - All students return to school. School commences at 8:40am.

### **OPENING MASS**

Our Opening Mass will take place on **Wednesday, 13 February 2019 at 9.10am** in Mercy Hall. The Mass will also include an official welcome to Year 7 students and parents/carers. All students are to wear full school uniform to the Mass. Senior students must wear their blazer.

### **TEXT BOOKS FOR STUDENTS IN YEARS 7 – 11**

All students should have received a printed copy of the online ordering instruction form from Champion Education, [www.champion.com.au](http://www.champion.com.au), for the purchase of the required print and electronic textbooks. A copy of each year group's 2019 textbook list can be downloaded from the James Sheahan Website front page: <https://www.jschs.nsw.edu.au>.

Year 7-10 students will also be required to have the required Apps downloaded to their devices by the start of 2019. The 7-10 required Apps list and additional help downloading electronic texts is available on the James Sheahan Catholic High School website: <https://jschs.libguides.com/devices/textbooks>

Textbook orders will be distributed to families at their home address. Parents will not need to collect their child's textbooks from the school.

## **UNIFORM**

The school uniform is to be worn by all students. Students should all have made an appointment at Orange Clothing Company to be fitted for their uniform.

Attached is a sheet detailing our uniform requirements. All students are expected to wear the uniform correctly. I expect that this will be the case, and note that the **correct wearing of our uniform is a condition of enrolment**. Your support as parents/carers in the monitoring of correct uniform is appreciated. To wear the uniform properly and to be well groomed makes a profound statement about pride in one's self and also pride in our school. Please take particular note that **make-up is not to be worn to school**.

## **ACCESSORIES**

The only pieces of jewellery that are accepted as part of the school uniform are a watch and one pair of small gold or silver stud earrings, worn in the lower lobe. Nose rings and other facial piercings, including plastic studs, are strictly forbidden. Visible tattoos are also forbidden.

## **HAIR**

No words can ever fully explain the school's expectation of 'Hair'. When families accept the school's offer of a placement here, they do so with an understanding of what is acceptable as deemed by the spirit and intent of the hair policy. A guide to the policy includes, but is not limited to: Boys' hair not being too long or short and girls' hair not being too short. Hair will be of a natural colour and hairstyle not extreme.

A simple rule of thumb is that if one has to look twice at the hair, then it is not right. The hairstyle needs to be conservative, recognising the traditions of the school and how time has understood what is acceptable.

Hair should be clean and well groomed. Extremes in style, colour and fashion are unacceptable and are at the discretion of the Principal as to what constitutes an 'extreme' style. Students are reminded that hair should not be cut under a 2 cut and this includes undercuts. Boys should be clean shaven.

## **MAKE-UP**

Students are not to wear make-up to school.