

## Welcome to Year 11 in 2019!

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of Year 11 Students

We hope that the year has begun well for you and your family, and that your daughter is well rested and ready to continue her Avila journey.

Please find below a list of important upcoming dates and other general information to help students and families settle into the year. We wish your daughter a fulfilling and successful year and trust that you will support the work of the College by working in partnership with us.

Yours faithfully



MRS FIONA WRIGHT  
YEAR 11 CO-ORDINATOR



MS JANINE BAUMAN  
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL STUDENTS

### Key Events

#### **Orientation Day + School Photos | Friday 1 February | 8.35am-1.10pm**

Compulsory for all students, the Orientation Day includes locker allocation, subject choice confirmations, timetables, emergency response training and school photos. Students must wear blazers for photos.

#### **Year 11 Parent Information Evening | Tuesday 5 February | 7pm**

Parents' attendance at this evening is essential as important information will be delivered and you will have the opportunity to meet your daughter's homeroom teacher.

#### **Parent-Student-Teacher Meetings | Thursday 28 March or Monday 1 April | 3.30-8.30pm**

We look forward to discussing your daughter's progress at the Parent-Student-Teacher Meetings. If you have a more general concern in the meantime, we encourage you to contact the specific Subject Teacher, her Homeroom Teacher or the Year Level Co-ordinator.

## General Information

### **HeadStart Program Holiday Homework**

VCE students undertook the 'HeadStart' program at the end of 2018, which is designed to provide a detailed outline of the course, an understanding of what Year 11 study involves and to begin studies in each of her enrolled subjects.

As a part of the program, students were also set holiday homework. Please take the time to discuss with your daughter the importance of completing this work before returning to school this year. Staff will check the completion and quality of this work during their first lesson with your daughter. Students who do not complete this work to a satisfactory standard will be required to complete it after school, under staff supervision. It will not be possible for students to expect to develop a sound understanding and fulfil their academic potential if they do not undertake work set.

If your daughter has any concerns about her subjects and wishes to make changes, she must see Ms Leah Eekelschot, Deputy Principal Learning and Teaching, as soon as possible. Please be aware that changes might not be possible at this stage.

### **Communication**

A number of channels and platforms are provided to parents so they can stay up to date with their daughter's progress and in touch with the latest news and events from the school.

These include the fortnightly newsletter, PAM, Parent-Student-Teacher Meetings, the Avila mobile app, social media platforms – Facebook and Instagram and CareMonkey.

It is important that the College has the most up-to-date contact information for parents, including daytime contact numbers and email addresses. Please check the CareMonkey profile to ensure that all details are correct and update accordingly. If there are any changes to your daughter's living arrangements or health status please contact Mrs Fiona Wright.

### **Avila College Uniform**

All students are expected to return to school in the correct school uniform. Please check that your daughter's appearance and her uniform are consistent with the College's uniform policy. Students who return in the incorrect uniform will have the matter followed up by their Homeroom Teacher.

### **Sports Trials and Training**

Avila students have the opportunity to try out for different sporting teams during the year. Some teams have trials and/or training starting in February. If your daughter is interested, they can ask their Year 11 Student Leaders or PE teachers for more details.

## Avila College Term One Events

<b>Friday 1 February</b>	8.35-1.10pm	<b>Orientation Day + School Photos</b>	<i>Compulsory for all students</i>
<b>Tuesday 5 February</b>	9-10.30am	<b>College Assembly</b>	<i>Parents welcome</i>
<b>Tuesday 5 February</b>	7-8pm	<b>Year 11 Parent Information Night</b>	<i>Parents only event. Meet your daughter's Homeroom Teacher.</i>
<b>Friday 15 February</b>	9-10.30am	<b>Opening School Mass</b>	<i>Parents welcome</i>
<b>Wednesday 27 March</b>	TBA	<b>Swimming Carnival at MSAC</b>	<i>Compulsory for all students.</i>
<b>Thursday 28 March + Monday 1 April</b>	3.30-8.30pm	<b>Parent Student Teacher Meetings</b>	<i>Early dismissal on both days at 1.30pm</i>
<b>Friday 5 April</b>	All Day	<b>Staff Professional Learning Day</b>	<i>Student Free Day</i>

## Drop Off and Parking

For the safety of all students, drivers need to follow a clockwise route when dropping off or picking up students. Cars are not permitted past Portsmouth Street to the end of Charles Street.

