



St Peter's Catholic High School

A Specialist Visual Arts College



MCG/SHA

23rd September 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we are now well into our new school year I am writing to share some key pieces of information with you.

We are very proud of the hard work, focus and determination of our class of 2016. Our Year 11 leavers achieved a stunning 'Attainment 8' figure of 58, meaning that their average grade was a grade B. Provisional 'Progress 8' data shows that our students achieved around a third of a grade higher than students nationally with the same starting point. 75% of our students achieved a grade C or higher in both English and Mathematics and 30% of students achieved 5 or more A*/A grades. We wish all our leavers well in their next steps at college or apprenticeships and look forward to celebrating with them at our Presentation Evening on 10th November at the DW stadium.

We have had an excellent start to this year and I would particularly like to thank you for how smart our students look in terms of their **uniform and presentation**. This sets a tone of high expectations and creates an excellent impression of our school in the community. I know that you will want to support us throughout the year in upholding these high standards. I would like to remind you of some key points of our uniform code:

- Skirts must be knee length
- Pupils are required to wear shoes. Trainers are not allowed.

This year's **Open Evening** takes place on **Wednesday October 5th**. There will be an **early finish** for pupils at **1.30pm**. The school buses will be available at this time, though we are yet to receive confirmation about the school bus to UpHolland. Pupils will be able to catch the public bus to UpHolland in the event the school bus is not able to operate for the early closure.

After over 30 years as a Governor at St. Peter's our Chair of Governors Terry Sweeney retired from our Governing Body at the end of August. We would like to thank him for his long and dedicated service to the St. Peter's community. Staff and students will be able to say thank you in person at our Whole School Mass on Tuesday 27th September. The Governors have elected Mrs Caroline Chivers to the Chair (previously Vice-Chair) and Mrs Ruth Fisher to Vice-Chair. We wish them well in their new posts.

I look forward to a busy and productive school year. St. Peter's is a very vibrant and fast moving place to be and the best way to obtain information on school life is through our website, Facebook and Twitter feeds, where we try to keep everyone up to date and informed on events, news, trips and sporting success. I look forward to seeing you at parents' evenings and other school events during the year and to working together to support your child.

Yours sincerely,

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