

### **TERM 1 WEEKS 1 AND 2** 29 January - 5 February 2021 Important Dates - Term 1 2021 Fri 29 Jan W1 First day, Year 11 2021 W2 Mon 1 Feb First day, Year 12 2021 Valentine's Day Celebration W3 Fri 12 Feb Details to be advised, pending DoE advice Academic Assembly W4 Tues 16 Feb Details to be advised, pending DoE advice School Swimming Carnival Tues 23 Feb W5 Details to be advised, pending DoE advice School Council Meeting - AGM W5 Tues 23 Feb Details to be advised, pending DoE advice W6 Tues 2 Mar School Photos W10 Fri 2 Apr Good Friday (public holiday)



### **Principal's Report**

Welcome back to the St Marys Senior High School Community for 2021. Welcome to our students, their families, staff, community supporters and our educational partners who all contribute to provide broad opportunities to ensure the best possible educational outcomes for our students.

We hope you enjoyed the break over summer and have recharged ready for a busy and rewarding year. We commence the year in a similar manner to which 2020 concluded in regards to school operations in managing the Coronavirus pandemic. At the time of writing this newsletter we have received some updated advice from the Department of Education and continue planning for the year ahead based on the advice at hand pending further updates. It is important that in an environment that can change so quickly that we are all flexible and appreciate that any restrictions that are implemented as a result of public health advice are done so to safeguard the wellbeing of students and staff. Communication is vital to ensure that our school community is effectively sharing a huge amount of important information. Please ensure you have access to our communication platforms. Our newsletter is

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### Principal's Report continued

published fortnightly on our website, Skoolbag, the Student and Parent Portal on Sentral, and will be emailed to the family email address provided during the enrolment process. I encourage you to read the newsletter closely as it contains a lot of information about the school, upcoming events and whether there are any Period 0s over the fortnight.

Congratulations to the class of 2020 – who have now received their HSC results, ATARs and university offers. In Week 4 of this term (16 February) we will celebrate our highest achieving students with our Academic Assembly. Our Annual School Report which is published at the end of the term will provide an analysis of the Higher School Certificate results.

To our new Year 11 students, welcome! We hope you enjoy O Week and your transition to St Marys. If you have any questions or are unsure about anything there are plenty of people to ask. A list of the executive is included in this newsletter should you have questions. Consider running for the Student Representative Council – it is an important part of our school which ensures student voice remains integral to St Marys life. Diversity amongst the SRC is important to ensure all students are represented.

To our Year 12 students – 150 days! This is the number of days of school that you have left before you finish your formal schooling and embark upon your Higher School Certificate Examinations. I look forward to continuing to work with you and your families in 2021 to not only successfully complete Year 12 but to contribute to ensuring your life after school sees you thrive both professionally and personally.

St Marys Senior High School does not have a P&C group. A School Council, made up of parents, students, community members and staff meet on the fourth Tuesday of every month. Each representative group has a specific number of voting rights and representatives are elected at the annual general meeting, held as the first meeting of the year. This year's AGM will take place on **Tuesday 23 February 2021** in the meeting room in the Administration Block at 6pm. If parents would like to be involved in decision making related to our school and develop a better understanding of the school's operations, this may be the path you choose to take. The parent representative group requires three voting members and each meeting, and voting rights can be rotated between parent representatives. I encourage you to consider attending the first meeting to gain an insight into the School Council. If you would like to attend the school Council meeting, please contact the school via the school email address <a href="mailto:stmaryssen-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au">stmaryssen-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au</a> by Friday 19 February, to ensure that we are able to cater the event appropriately.

It is an absolute privilege to be the Principal of St Marys Senior High School and to be able to work with an amazing group of students and incredibly committed staff. I look forward to working with you over the coming year.

### Sally Smithard

Principal



# **Our Year 12 SRC Representatives for 2021**



Top row: Nour Zahr (Cluster 7B), Daniel Cheema (Cluster 2), Robin Limguangco (Cluster 5), Robert Apostol (Cluster 6), Benji Joseph (Cluster 2), Mohmd Alsomay (School Vice Captain, Cluster 7A), Vinay Moana-Singh (Cluster 6), Isabella Antakley (Cluster 3)

Middle row: Chloe Nolasco (School Captain, Cluster 6), Alecksandra Favor (Cluster 8B), Arabella Gutierrez (Cluster 6), Ruth Nool (Cluster 5), Mikhaila Ladines (Cluster 8A), Emily Cunningham (Cluster 8A), Anna Moore (Cluster 7B), Alice Chitos (School Captain, Cluster 6)

Front row: Moira Escuadro (Cluster 3), Ruva Mataranyika (Cluster 8B), Arya Gaurkhede (Cluster 7B)

Not in attendance: Bree Fitzpatrick (School Vice Captain, Cluster 8B), Frank Pagaduan (Cluster 7A)



# **Organisation for Orientation Week 2021**

### Wednesday 27 January and Thursday 28 January 2021

Staff Development Days – no students attending and our office is closed

Friday 29 January 2021				
First day for Year 11 2021	Period	Start	End	
	"Brekky on the Lawn"	8:20 am	9:00 am	
Mentors from Year 12 2021 to attend 8:00 am – 12.50 pm	Assembly	9:00 am	10:20 am	
	Cluster Meetings	10:20 am	10:50 am	
	Recess	10:50 am	11:20 am	
Our office is open 8:00 am – 3:00 pm and we accept payments 8:00 am – 2:00 pm	Mentor Class	11:20 am	12:50 pm	
	Wellbeing Team Assembly	12:50 pm	1:30 pm	

Monday 1 February 2021				
First day for Year 12 2021, starting with an assembly in the MPC	Period	Start	End	
	Assembly, Year 12 2021 Year 11 Meeting – Mentor Rooms	8:20 am	9:30 am	
Orientation sessions for Year 11 2021 take place in normal classes in Periods 2 and 3  Normal timetabled classes take place Periods 1-5	Period 1	9:30 am	10:30 am	
	Period 2	10:30 am	11:30 am	
	Recess	11:30 am	12:00 pm	
	Period 3	12:00 pm	12:55 pm	
	Period 4	12:55 pm	1:50 pm	
Our office is open 8:00 am – 3:00 pm and we accept payments 8:00 am – 2:00 pm	Lunch	1:50 pm	2:20 pm	
	Period 5	2:20 pm	3:20 pm	

Tuesday 2 February 2021				
Normal school day for Year 11 and Year 12 2021	Period	Start	End	
	Period 1	8:20 am	9:25 am	
	Period 2	9:25 am	10:30 am	
Orientation sessions for Year 11 2021 take place in normal classes in Periods 2 and 3	Recess	10:30 am	11:30 am	
	Period 3	11:30 am	12:35 pm	
	Period 4	12:35 pm	1:38 pm	
Our office is open 8:00 am – 3:00 pm	Lunch	1:38 pm	2:08 pm	
	Period 5	2:08 pm	3:20 pm	

Wednesday 3 February 2021				
Normal school day for Year 11 and Year 12 2021	Period	Start	End	
	Period 1	8:20 am	9:25 am	
Orientation sessions for Year 11 2021 take place in Periods 2 and 3	Period 2	9:25 am	10:30 am	
	Recess	10:30 am	11:30 am	
Extended recess for Student Clubs Pop Up Stalls Display	Period 3	11:30 am	12:35 pm	
	Period 4	12:35 pm	1:38 pm	
	Lunch	1:38 pm	2:08 pm	
Our office is open 8:00 am – 3:00 pm	Period 5	2:08 pm	3:20 pm	



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# **Learning Centre Timetable Term 1**

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEEK A WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
8:20 AM	Carla	Carmel	Deborah	Deborah	Andrew F	
6:20 AW	Caria	Carmer	Deboran	Deboran	Andrew F	
	Commercial	English / LAST	English	English	Science	
	6B	1 <b>A</b>	7B	48	8A	
9:32 AM	Andrew M	Nicole B	Dianne	Dianne	Nicole B	
	Science	English / Drama	HSIE / LAST	HSIE / LAST	English / Drama	
	4A	6 <b>A</b>	5 <b>A</b>	1A	2 <b>A</b>	
10:44 AM		<u></u>				
11:14 AM	Christine	lla	lla	Gillian	Christine	
	Maths	Science	Science	English	Maths	
	1B	7 <b>A</b>	2 <b>A</b>	5A	3 <b>A</b>	
12:26 PM	Carla	Andrew M	Ellen	Carmel	Robyn A	
	Commercial	Science	Science	English / LAST	English	
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4:00 414	5B	3 <b>A</b>	8A	6 <b>A</b>	7 <b>A</b>	
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2:08 PM	Carmel	Linda	Michael	Lee	Open to 2:08pm	
	English / LAST	English	Music / Entertainment	Commercial		
3:20 PM	8B	4B	3B	2B	8C	
	WEEK B					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
8:20 AM	Deborah	Gillian	Andrew F	Prithy	Andrew F	
	English	English	Science	English	Science	
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	4 <b>A</b>	3 <b>A</b>	5B	2B	7 <b>A</b>	
9:32 AM	Waran	Nicole B	Prithy	Ellen	Andrew M	
	Science	English / Drama	English	Science	Science	
	6B	7B	2B	1B	3В	
10:44 AM						
11:14 AM	Amy-Lee	Robyn A	Robyn A	Linda	Prithy	
	PE / Computing	English	English	English	English	
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	1B	6 <b>A</b>	7B	4B	2A	
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	Commercial	English	Science	Science	HSIE / LAST	
	5B	4B	8A	5 <b>A</b>	8B	
1:38 AM						
2:08 PM	Carmel	Carmel	Dianne	Dianne	Open to 2:08pm	
	English / LAST	English / LAST	English / LAST	English / LAST		
3:20 PM	8B	1 <b>A</b>	3B	6B	8C	
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As @ 27/01/2021



This fortnight @ SMSHS					
Monday 25 Jan	Tuesday 26 Jan	Wednesday 27 Jan	Thursday 28 Jan	Friday 29 Jan	
School holidays	Australia Day – Public Holiday	Staff Development Day  – staff only	Staff Development Day - staff only	Period Zero Bell Times  First day of classes for Year 11 2021	
Monday 1 Feb	Tuesday 2 Feb	Wednesday 3 Feb	Thursday 4 Feb	Friday 5 Feb	
Period Zero Bell Times  First day of classes for Year 12 2021		Adjusted Bell Times  Clubs Pop Up Displays  – Extended Recess		Personal Mentor begins for Year 12 2021	

#### **Our Teams** Principal: Sally Smithard School Council President: Suchita Andrews School Captains: Alice Chitos Chloe Nolasco School Executive: Deputy Principal (Year 11) Danielle Ervine Deputy Principal (Year 12) Leah Havord English Julie Robinson Mathematics Simone Pett Lidija Radovancevic Science **Commercial Studies** Salochna Reddy HSIE (Rel) Rebecca Langham CAPA Nicole Bonfield Matthew Topp Computing LOTE Luigi Serra TAS/PDHPE Rebecca Powell Secondary Studies Liz Hemmings Learning and Wellbeing Melissa Jacka First Australians Leah Havord Sport and Recreation Joanne Brines Business Manager (Acting) Rebecca Zinghini School Administrative Manager (Rel) Kim Everett Student Advisers: Year 11, Surnames A-G Mitchell Baker Year 11, Surnames H-O Lynette Tuckwell Jesse Vassallo Year 11, Surnames P-Z Year 12, Surnames A-G Nicola Preston Year 12, Surnames H-O Luigi Serra Year 12, Surnames P-Z Tim Weston Student Support Officer Caitlin Lambourne Learning Support: Carmel Harriden Dianne Pyne Nicole Leong Carly McPherson

Lynette Tuckwell





Careers Adviser: