



TERM 4 WEEKS 9, 10 AND 11

29 November – 17 December 2021

Important Dates – Term 4 2021

W9	Wed 1 Dec	Year 12 2022 – NESA Sign Off 10:30 – 10:50 am
W9	Fri 3 Dec	HSC exams conclude
W9	Fri 3 Dec	Year 11 2022 Confirmation Day #1
W10	Mon 6 Dec	Year 12 2021 Sign Out Day #1
W10	Tue 7 Dec	Year 12 2021 Sign Out Day #2
W10	Tue 7 Dec	Presentation Day 2021
W10	Wed 8 Dec	Year 11 2022 Confirmation Day #2
W10	Thu 9 Dec	Year 11 2022 Confirmation Day #3
W10	Fri 10 Dec	Year 12 2021 Graduation
W11	Mon 13 Dec	Year 12 2022 - School Leadership Program
W11	Tue 14 Dec	Year 12 2022 - School Leadership Program
W11	Wed 15 Dec	Year 12 2022 - School Leadership Program
W11	Thu 16 Dec	Festive Day and Music on the Lawn
W11	Thu 16 Dec	Last day of classes for Year 12 2022
W11	Thu 16 Dec	Year 12 2021 Formal

Principal's Report

As we enter the final three weeks of the school year this will be our final newsletter for the year due to the large number of events taking place in the final weeks of 2021. We will provide any updates that affect school operations and will ensure correspondence is provided to families containing the most up to date information prior to the commencement of the 2022 school year.

We all breathe a little easier as we enter the final week of the Higher School Certificate examinations knowing they have proceeded very smoothly. This is due to meticulous planning as well as all stakeholders involved following COVID safe protocols and procedures. Thank you to our students, invigilators, teaching staff, administration staff and my senior executive colleagues for all playing their part to allow Year 12 2021 to complete their examinations safely.

Following the completion of the examinations, Year 12 have three key events. The first of these occur on either 6 or 7 December with their sign out day providing an opportunity for students to return textbooks and resources, collect their school reference and graduation gown. The second event occurring on Friday 10 December is our Year 12 Graduation,

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Principal's Report continued

followed by the Year 12 Formal on Thursday 16 December. All of these events have been carefully planned. If you have any queries regarding any of these celebrations please contact Leah Havord, leah.havord@det.nsw.edu.au. We are delighted that we will have the opportunity to share these milestone events with our Year 12 class of 2021.

We will be celebrating the achievements of our Year 11 students for 2021 with our annual Presentation Day awards. Due to the current restrictions that have been put in place by both NSW Health and the NSW Department of Education, this event must be held outdoors which has limited our ability to livestream the event. I would like to thank Simone Pett and the Maths Faculty for their work in putting together the ceremony, with the support of our Entertainment students led by Fatima De Assis and Michael Nolan.

The last week of school for 2021 will see Year 12 2022 engage in the School Leadership Program. The Learning and Wellbeing Team have been carefully planning this event to provide an opportunity for students to celebrate their year and to develop skills to support them throughout their Higher School Certificate journey.

On Friday 3 December, Wednesday 8 December and Thursday 9 December we welcome Year 11 2022 to St Marys Senior High School as they attend Confirmation Day as part of their transition to their final two years of schooling. All families will have received an email providing details of their appointment times and processes developed to ensure that activities can run smoothly. If you have any questions regarding Confirmation Day please contact Danielle Ervine, danielle.ervine@det.nsw.edu.au.

I cannot express my gratitude and pride as Principal of St Marys Senior High School enough. This year has provided us all with many challenges personally and professionally. I am humbled at the support shown by our entire school community regarding the strategies both the Department of Education and our school put in place to ensure teaching and learning was able to continue safely. Thank you to our staff, students, School Council, parents and community supporters. I would also like to publicly acknowledge the tireless work of my Senior Executive colleagues, Danielle Ervine and Leah Havord and their support of me through a very complex year.

Finally, I look forward with great anticipation to the new year and working with our students, staff, parents and community in a school that remains intensely focused on providing the best possible learning environment for every student. It is an unusual start to the year for schools, with staff returning on Friday 28 January for two Staff Development Days, **Year 11 students then returning on Tuesday 1 February and Year 12 resuming their studies on Wednesday 2 February 2022**. Prior to the commencement of the new school year, we will provide families with updates to assist with a smooth return to school. I wish you all a safe and happy Christmas and look forward to us all working together successfully in 2022.

Sally Smithard

Principal



Year 12 2022 – NESA Sign Off, Wednesday 1 December 2021

As our Year 12 2022 students are currently working through their first term of their Higher School Certificate courses, it is important that students take an opportunity to confirm their entry details with NESA.

To help with this, we have adjusted our bell times to allow students to meet with staff to go through their entry materials as well as receiving a hard copy of NESA's 2022 HSC guidelines.

Students should meet in the rooms shown at 10:30 am on Wednesday 1 December – and be sure to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Liz Hemmings

Head Teacher Secondary Studies

Bell Times, Wednesday 1 December 2021		
	From	To
Period 1	8.20 am	9.25 am
Period 2	9.25 am	10.30 am
Meeting in home rooms	10:30 am	10:50 am
Recess	10.50 am	11.20 am
Period 3	11.20 am	12.26 pm
Period 4	12.26 pm	1:38 pm
Lunch	1.38 pm	2.08 pm
Period 5	2.08 pm	3.20 pm



YEAR 12 2022 HOME ROOMS Student Surname Groups	Classroom
Abadines to Anwary	ER1001
Aquino to Berwick	ER1003
Bhandari to Carter	ER1008
Caseles to Cunan	ER1012
Curtis Rock to Dougherty	ER1014
Draper to Fonacier	ER1018
Footit to Hanrahan	ER0002
Harrison to Kaflay	ER0003
Kaleeny to Krishnamoorthy	ER0008
Krishnar to Lusina	ER0015
Macatangay to Mekonnen	CTR1009
Melvin Samuel to Narayan (A)	CTR1001
Narayan (K) to Parimi	CTR1008
Patel to Pineda	CTR0001
Polus to Rodelas	CTR0005
Rodriguez to Scott	CTR0008
Sethi to Sumer	BR1001
Sumilang to Vaghela	BR1004
Velasco to Woodley	BR1008
Wright to Zinghini	BR1011



Year 12 2021 – Sign Out Days, Monday 6 December and Tuesday 7 December 2021

As the school year draws for a close for Year 12 2021, we have arranged our sign out sessions to help the smooth flow of people through our school as well as helping to enhance the COVID-safe nature of our processes. We have summarised the key points of the processes below.

- **Sign out sessions:** Students are scheduled to attend sessions according to their surname:

Student surnames A – F	8.20 – 10.20 am	Monday 6 December 2021
Student surnames G – L	12.20 – 2.20 pm	Monday 6 December 2021
Student surnames M – R	8.20 – 10.20 am	Tuesday 7 December 2021
Student surnames S – Z	12.20 – 2.20 pm	Tuesday 7 December 2021

- **Student unable to attend their session:**

- If a student is unable to attend their scheduled session, the session will need to be rescheduled.
- To reschedule a session, the student needs to email the school (stmaryssen-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au) before **Tuesday 30 November 2021** and Kathy, one of our Administration Team will help with this.
- To ensure prompt follow up, students should ensure that the subject line of the email reads: **Attention Kathy – Year 12 Sign Out Session Reschedule.**

- **Textbooks and resources:**

- When coming to sign out, students need to return any outstanding school resources e.g. textbooks, sport uniforms, CAPA supplies etc.
- Students are encouraged to bring their textbooks with them to each of their HSC examinations, being able to return them to the Library prior to or following their exam. This ensures a gradual return of resources to school, rather than students having to carry a very heavy bag to school all at once.

- **Payments:**

- Any payments for courses and activities can be finalised prior to or on sign out day.
- If students and their families would like to know of any contributions, consumable payments or other monies owing, please email the school (stmaryssen-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au) and Kristie, one of our Administration Team, will provide the necessary information to you.
- To help in this regard, please ensure that the subject line of your email reads: **Attention Kristie – Payment update for Year 12 2021.**



- **COVID-safe:** Students will need to follow all public health orders and COVID-safe procedures current at the time. These include:
 - Wearing a mask on site,
 - Using the Service NSW App to QR code in and out,
 - Using hand sanitiser and maintaining distancing as much as possible,
 - Minimising the number of people onsite, by attending their session and not bringing any friends from outside of school or family members onsite.
- **Google Forms:**
 - To sign out, students need to complete two Google Forms – an Exit Survey and a Contact Information Personal Mentor Form.
 - Links to these Forms have been emailed to each student's school email address.
 - If students come with the Forms completed, they will be quickly signed off on the day.
 - If students are not able to complete the Forms at home, we will need them to be completed at school on the day.
- **Steps for students:** The steps for students during each session are:

Step 1: On arrival at school, collect the sign out forms from the gazebo near the flag poles.

Step 2: Proceed to the library to return textbooks issued by the library and any library books. The Teacher Librarian and library officers will sign your form to indicate all resources have been returned.

Step 3: In the library, see the Form Officer who will sign off that you have completed your Google Forms.

Step 4: In the library, see the Careers Adviser to sign your form.

Step 5: As you leave the library, please check the Graduation lists on the wall for the details of where you will be sitting during the ceremony.

Step 6: Proceed to the CAPA Staffroom to return any outstanding textbooks or resources if this section is highlighted on your form.

Step 7: Return to the office before the end of your Sign Out Session to finalise your contributions and collect your Graduation gown and your portfolio which will contain your school reference, information about the Formal and your ticket, and information about the Graduation.





Let's give back this holiday season!

Festive Mufti Day & Music on the Lawn

SMSHS VINNIES CHRISTMAS
APPEAL FUNDRAISER



December 16 2021

Mufti Colours: White, Red and Green.

Join us on the lawn at 10.30am, where we will be playing festive music during an extended Recess break!

Gold Coin Donations will be collected during Period 2 and donated to the Vinnies Christmas Appeal to support those in need this Christmas Season.

Bell Times, Thursday 16 December 2021		
	From	To
Period 1	8.20 am	9.25 am
Period 2	9.25 am	10.30 am
Extended Recess	10.30 am	11.30 am
Period 3	11.30 am	12.35 pm
Period 4	12.35 pm	1:40 pm
Lunch	1.40 pm	2.20 pm
Period 5	2.20 pm	3.20 pm





VINNIES SCHOOLS CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2021 HOW TO GIVE

TO GIVE FINANCIALLY

Donate via our website:

www.donate.vinnies.org.au/donation-hub

OR

Via direct deposit to:

Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank

Account Name: St Vincent de Paul Society
Appeals Account

Account Number: 10057471

BSB Number: 062 193

Branch: LEICHHARDT NSW

Important Note: When making an EFT payment to the above account, please ensure you email a remittance notification to our processing team at remittances@vinnies.org.au and cc your Schools Officer. This is a very important step as it allows our donations team to identify who the donation has come from and where to direct the donated funds to.

If you would like your donation to go to your local Conference or Service, please also be sure to write the name of the Conference or Service in the reference note.



TO GIVE HAMPERS AND FOOD

Please touch base with your local conference when making your plans. In most cases, conferences will be excited to receive your hampers, however given the ongoing impact of COVID-19, it may be preferable in some circumstances to give financially instead.

Please ensure all food donations are in date. Here is a list of items you might like to consider putting in to your hampers:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christmas pudding | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fruit cake |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Custard | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cereal |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tea and Coffee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fruit mince pies |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Milo | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dried pasta |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Long life milk | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pasta sauce |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tim Tams | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vegemite |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christmas lollies | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christmas gifts |

THANK YOU FOR PARTNERING WITH US TO CHANGE LIVES!



SMSHS – SOURCES OF SUPPORT



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Year 12 2021 Student Adviser, Surnames A-G	Nicola Preston	nicola.preston1@det.nsw.edu.au
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Year 12 2022 Student Adviser, Surnames H-O	Nicole Leong	nicole.leong2@det.nsw.edu.au
Year 12 2022 Student Adviser, Surnames P-Z	Jesse Vassallo	jesse.vassallo2@det.nsw.edu.au
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Year 11 2022 Student Adviser, Surnames P-Z	Ellen Worgan	ellen.worgan2@det.nsw.edu.au
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School Counsellors	Aimee Tang Tracey Axisa	Please text the counsellor phone on 0417228192 during school hours to organise an appointment
Student Support Officer	Surmeet Kaur	surmeet.kaur@det.nsw.edu.au
Deputy Principal Year 12 2022	Danielle Ervine	danielle.ervine@det.nsw.edu.au
Deputy Principal Year 12 2021 and Year 11 2022	Leah Havord	leah.havord@det.nsw.edu.au



The Remaining Weeks of Term 4 2021 @ SMSHS

Monday 29 Nov	Tuesday 30 Nov	Wednesday 1 Dec	Thursday 2 Dec	Friday 3 Dec
HSC 2021 Exams 12 Earth and Env Science – Asst Task 1 due 12 IPT – Asst Task 1 due 12 Maths Ext 1 – Asst Task 1 due 12 Studies of Religion I – Asst Task 1 due	HSC 2021 Exams 12 Food Technology – Asst Task 1 due 12 Studies of Religion II – Asst Task 1 due	HSC 2021 Exams Year 12 2022 – NESA Sign Off , adjusted bell times	HSC 2021 Exams 12 Agriculture – Asst Task 1 due 12 Business Studies – Asst Task 1 due 12 CAFS – Asst Task 1 due 12 Engineering Studies – Asst Task 1 due	HSC 2021 Exams end Year 11 2022 – Confirmation Day #1 12 Maths Ext 2 – Asst Task 1 due 12 SDD – Asst Task 1 due
Monday 6 Dec	Tuesday 7 Dec	Wednesday 8 Dec	Thursday 9 Dec	Friday 10 Dec
Year 12 2021 – Sign Out Day #1	Presentation Day 2021 Year 12 2021 – Sign Out Day #2	Year 11 2022 – Confirmation Day #2 12 Dance – Asst Task 1 due	Year 11 2022 – Confirmation Day #3 12 Geography – Asst Task 1 due	Year 12 2021 – Graduation
Monday 13 Dec	Tuesday 14 Dec	Wednesday 15 Dec	Thursday 16 Dec	Friday 17 Dec
Year 12 2022 School Leadership Program Year 12 2022 Student Mentor Training , 1.45 – 3.30 pm	Year 12 2022 School Leadership Program	Year 12 2022 School Leadership Program	Festive Day and Music on the Lawn – adjusted bell times Year 12 2021 – Formal <i>Last day for students for 2021</i>	Staff Development Day



Our Teams

Principal:	Sally Smithard
School Council President:	Sonia Matthews
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
- Science	Lidija Radovancevic
- Commercial Studies	Salochna Reddy
- HSIE (Rel)	Rebecca Langham
- CAPA	Nicole Bonfield
- Computing	Matthew Topp
- 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)	Lynette Deuis
Student Advisers:	
- Year 11, Surnames A-G	Mitchell Baker
- Year 11, Surnames H-O	Nicole Leong
- Year 11, Surnames P-Z	Jesse Vassallo
- Year 12, Surnames A-G	Nicola Preston
- Year 12, Surnames H-O	Luigi Serra
- Year 12, Surnames P-Z	Tim Weston
Learning Support:	Carmel Harriden Dianne Pyne Nicole Leong Carly McPherson
Student Support Officer:	Surmeet Kaur
Careers Adviser:	Lynette Tuckwell

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