14 October 2013.

Dear Parents and Year 12 students,

The end of the year is rapidly approaching and we wish to outline a few of the events leading up to Graduation.

The last day of classes for Year 12 is Wednesday 23 October. On this day the Year 12 students will have morning tea with all staff down in the main staff room. This gives the PS and MS teachers a chance to share their thoughts on students they have taught. From period 5 the students will begin ‘decorating’ in the Senior school and will continue until 4.15 when there will be a quick get together in the gym to run through the details for the final assembly next day. Then back up to SS to continue decorating until 5.30pm when students will leave.

To commence the Year 12 Celebration Day on Thursday 24 October, the gates will be open from 6.30am and students and SS staff will have breakfast together from soon after 7am. From 8.20 to 9.40am PS and MS students are allowed up to SS to look around. From 9.40 to 10.20 Year 12 students go down to PS and MS and do face painting etc. From 10.20 – 11.00 is the big tidy up of all decorations in SS and rooms to be returned to normal. Recess at 11am if all is tidy and band practise if needed. Then assembly in the gym from 11.30am to 12.30pm – parents are invited to this. This will be followed by games on the oval or in the gym if inclement weather. When the students and participating staff are suitably showered and clean, we will finish the day with lunch for students and SS staff in the main staffroom until approx. 3.30pm.

** All students please note: this day is compulsory – you are expected to stay all day.

Graduation. The Graduation dinner has been booked at the York on Lilydale for Friday, 22 November. The students have elected to sit on the same table with their families, so start thinking now as to who you would like to invite or who you would like to sit with. There will be a maximum of 10 people per table (OH&S regulations). When the form goes out it will need to be returned together with payment of $46 per person – the student is paid for by MECS. The deadline for forms and money to be returned is 8 November.

Text Books. We provide a service of reselling your text books if possible. However, please note that if a text book used this year is not on the resale list, then we cannot accept it back as it may not be used next year. Please return all text books to Rosalie together with the Resale form not later than Friday 22 November. This gives Rosalie only one week to repack and prepare for the 2014 Year 12 students who will need them for their orientation classes commencing 2 December. We will be reverting to the old system of ‘pay on pickup’ for the coming year. For the 2014 Year 12s we hope to have their books ready on time. Otherwise the text book sale day is Tuesday, 10 December.

For any questions regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to contact either of us or Rosalie can be contacted directly on 9738 6060.

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