Dear Parent / Guardians

Welcome to the 2012 school year! I am very excited about the opportunities that are ahead and I pray that we will all enjoy the journey together. There are many questions that you may have about getting started so this is just a quick summary of what you will need to know for the first two weeks. As you will be aware, the school day for Secondary now commences at 8.30am sharp. The bell will go at 8.25am. This is to accommodate the recommended times required for the new National Curriculum. If you use bus travel to get to school, please check the College website for all the details for new times.

**FIRST DAY PROCEDURE:**

**From 8.15am – 8.40am**
Students take all their belongings to their Form classrooms (see end of this letter for Form rooms and Form teachers. A map of the College is attached). A map of the College is attached.

**8.40am – 9.30am**
Middle School students will have Assembly in the Church.
Senior School students will spend time with their Form teacher who will distribute diaries, lockers and timetables. Stationery items (ie. tissues, ream of paper, graph paper, lined notepad) will be collected. Students undergo a brief orientation time.

**9.40am – 10.30am**
Senior School students will have Assembly in the Church.
Middle School students will spend time with their Form teacher who will distribute diaries, lockers and timetables. Stationery items (ie. tissues, ream of paper, lined notepad) will be collected. Students undergo a brief orientation time.

**10.30am – 10.45am**
Morning tea

**10.45am – 3.00pm**
Individual timetabled classes commence
(NB: Year 7 classes are with their Form teachers until 12.45pm so they will have a longer Orientation session)

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

A Parent Handbook for 2012 will be distributed to students on Monday 23 January. It contains detailed information about the day-to-day operations of the College. Please take the time to read it. I have outlined some important points below for Secondary students to assist with planning:

**Secondary Assembly**
Tuesday mornings from 8.30am-9.00am (Middle School in the Church and Senior School in H3)

**Secondary Chapel**
Middle School – Wednesday 8.30am-9.00am in the Church
Senior School – Thursday 8.30am-9.00am in the Church

**Middle School Interschool Sport**
Year 7  Friday afternoon
Years 8 & 9  Wednesday afternoon
The sports uniform should only be worn for sport afternoons or for designated practical Dance and HPE classes (specific days for Middle School will be sent in due course). Formal uniform is to be worn at all other times.

**Formal uniform days for Senior** students are Tuesday and Thursday. They may choose to wear sport uniforms on other days. (Year 12 Senior jerseys can only be worn with the sports uniform).
IMPORTANT DATES IN THE FIRST FEW WEEKS

Australia Day Holiday               Thursday 26 January

Swimming Carnival                    Thursday 2 February
(please note that swimming trials will on Wednesday afternoon 1 February from 1.00pm at the Beerwah Pool for Years 7-10. Students are to bring their togs, towel and sunscreen. See attached notes.)

Secondary New Parent Information Evening
Wednesday 8 February in H3 Theatrette
Middle School commences at 6.30pm
Senior School commences at 7.30pm

The College Newsletter will be distributed every fortnight commencing on Friday 3 February. These will be sent electronically via email to parent/s and it will also be published on the College website. This publication contains important information about the happenings of the College. Please make every effort to read this. A few hard copies will be printed each fortnight should you prefer to receive your newsletter in this format; however, it becomes your responsibility to ask your son/daughter to collect one from student reception.

Assessment Planners will also be given to students early in the third week of term. This gives all the dates for assessment tasks so that you can assist your child in organising their time, study and work habits. Again, if these planners do not make it home, please view on the College website.

Year 10 Work Experience is being organised for the last week of this term. Year 10 students will be bringing home information in the first week about this.

We also have appointed a Middle School Coordinator, Mrs Jacquelina Vreeling, for 2012. Mrs Vreeling will be dealing with all issues relating to students in Years 7-9.

We also have Year Level Coordinators and House Coordinators for 2012. These people are your first point of contact after individual teachers, if you have any concerns or issues.

Year 7: Mr Brad Evans (Zion)
Year 8: Mrs Anita Newell (Ararat)
Year 9: Miss Colleen Devitt (Sinai)
Year 10: Mr Robert Maguire (Zion)
Year 11: Mrs Jo Winlaw (Ararat)
Year 12: Mrs Natalie Woolston (Sinai)

All staff can be contacted via the College office on 54390033 or directly via email. Email addresses are staff firstname.lastname@gccc.qld.edu.au. If you have any further queries please don’t hesitate to contact me at the College.

God bless and I look forward to seeing you all on the first day.

Regards

Mrs Sue Fraser
Head of Secondary
### Secondary Form Classes

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NB: If you have forgotten what Form class you are in, class lists will be displayed in the Senior Undercover area on Monday morning so that you can find where you are to go.