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## MESSAGE FROM THE MHS PRINCIPAL

Dear Parent/Carer(s) of Year 12,

The final weeks of Year 12 will be significant for your child as he or she completes their secondary education. It is important at this stage of their preparation that you ensure your child is maximising their opportunities for success and completing their study requirements. In our experience students may increase their HSC Examination mark by as much as 20% by attending all classes remaining this term and by intense revision with their teachers. Term 3 school vacation begins after graduation, and should be used not as a holiday, but as a time of intense preparation. We would suggest that an absolute minimum of six hours per day be seen as a guide for satisfactory utilisation of this period.

There is no escape from reality that your child will experience a broad range of emotions over the next few months. Undoubtedly, there will be periods of stress as examinations approach. There will also be a sense of exhilaration as your child realises that their secondary education is coming to a conclusion. All of us have a responsibility to help your child cope with these emotions. The Mitchell High School staff are committed to this outcome and you should feel assured that you and your child have our full and undivided support during this important period of their life.

All outstanding school fees and/or subject contributions need to be finalised prior to purchasing a ticket to the Year 12 Formal. If you have any queries relating to this matter, please contact the school's administration office on 9622 9944 to make an appointment with me or the Deputy Principal.

## **Expectations of your child**

Mitchell High School does not have a so-called 'muck up day'. No institution or responsible adult could condone any action that may cause affront or potential danger to either members of the school community or members of the public generally. Your child should not be involved in any incident which has the potential to cause injury, damage or inconvenience at surrounding schools or at Mitchell High School.

In short it is essential that your child be aware that they are not to be involved in any incident which causes public mischief or behave in any way that brings discredit on themselves or Mitchell High School. Actions contrary to this directive may result in the withdrawal of the school reference, attendance at their formal and the invitation to sit the Higher School Certificate Examinations at Mitchell High School.

Over the past couple of years with the impact of COVID-19, one could only be impressed by the attributes displayed by the Class of 2022. They have been a highly energetic, cooperative and very friendly group. They have also exhibited leadership and a high level of maturity on the whole. It is our expectation that these young people will mark the end of their schooling with fine spirit, which has typified the actions of the Year 12 cohort.

Accompanying this letter is a calendar of important dates and a detailed information sheet regarding Year 12 activities leading up to the end of the year. Please keep these dates in a safe place where they can be accessed. These dates are subject to change if we are required to mitigate supervision and COVID related matters.

As a school community we would like to express the confidence that we have in your child and we wish them all the best as they prepare for the examinations. We extend our support to each family and we will do everything possible to make your child's end of year as smooth and fulfilling as possible.

Kind regards



Elena Marinis **Principal**