



# Hallam Senior College

Linking Learning and Life

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Students

<b>Our School – In 2013 there are 1000 students accessing Year 10, VCE and VCAL at our school.</b>	
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### **New style communication to families.**

Our communications are moving from the traditional style newsletter to this letter format in order to provide families with more succinct information that links through to our website. To compliment this we will produce a photo journal at the end of each term that celebrates student achievement. In the next few weeks our new website will go live and provide more up to date information for families and visitors to our website.

### **Know Our Students well**

- Attendance – is critically linked to student success.
- Sub Schools – Please make direct contact with Sub Schools to ensure individual needs are met.

<b>Arts/Humanities</b>	<b>Deb Cox 8795 1017</b> Melinda Dalforno 8795 1019 Alan Torcello 8795 1021	Michele Theron 8795 1021 Damien Landini 8795 1017
<b>Science/IT/Commerce</b>	<b>Ron Jooss 8795 1027</b> Deb Crew 8795 1048 David Wyatt 8795 1036	Rob Zreczycki 8795 1036
<b>Sport &amp; Health Sciences</b>	<b>Jamie Fardell 8795 1041</b> Karen Woodruff/Aymee Fallon 8795 1015 Vashon Weaver 8795 1041 Julie Buzasi 8795 1041	Liana Hudson 8795 1041
<b>Traditional Trades &amp; Technology</b>	<b>Sue Lubbock 8795 1080</b> Katrina Davidson 8795 1081 Amanda Quinn 8795 1080	Rodney Triegaardt 8795 1067

### **School Council Elections**

Thank you to those parents who have already expressed interest in being involved on School Council. We do still need a couple more. Generally speaking there are about 8 school council meetings over the year. They are usually conducted on a Tuesday evening for about 1.5 - 2 hours. Attached is the information schools are required to send out to families. If you are interested and want to know more please do not hesitate to phone me.

### **Uniform and Uniform Shop**

Our uniform has been designed and selected to be comfortable and affordable. Students and families committed to wearing the uniform when they made the decision to come to our school. The uniform shop is open every Tuesday and Thursday 12.30-2.30 for term one. Terms 2, 3 and 4 the shop is open only on Thursdays.

### **Official Opening of the Trade Training Centre**

The Hon. Anthony Byrne and Right Hon. Kevin Rudd attended an assembly on Monday to officially open our Trade Training Centre. Many guests attended; students were captivated by the Hon member's messages to them as young people. We will upload images of the event onto our website.

### **Study4Success**

Study4Success runs every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after school until 6.00pm in the library. This program was very successful last year and provided support for students in comfortable surrounds to do their homework, attend a tutorial and obtain assistance from staff, guest university students or other guests especially invited to provide help. Maggie McCann is looking after the program this year. Parents can find out more by making contact with Maggie or their student's sub school office

### **Changes to Parent Teacher interviews**

In response to a significant review in 2012 of the school's assessment and reporting processes we have moved to a 6 week cycle in order to provide students and families with more immediate feedback as to how students are progressing.

### **Student Leadership**

Congratulations to the following students who are our Sub School Captains for 2013.

<b>Arts/Humanities</b>	<i>Vanessa Rawling and Mateaki Taliuli</i>
<b>Science/IT/Commerce</b>	<i>Shae Peterson and Tyler Sargent</i>
<b>Sport &amp; Health Sciences</b>	<i>Chelsie Sellick and Alan Savic</i>
<b>Traditional Trades &amp; Technology</b>	<i>Haylee Scarlett and Nicholas Mather</i>

### **Student Accident Insurance**

Parents and guardians are advised that DEECD does not provide personal accident insurance for students who are injured at school or when on College Council endorsed excursions and activities. Families are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs. Reasonably low cost accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers.

### **Anne Martin**

Principal