



7 November 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians of Year 10 Students

I am writing regarding some Year 10 specific information relating to the end of the semester.

### **Year 10 Exams – Wednesday 21 November to Friday 23 November**

Year 10 will undertake formal exams in English, Science and Maths. As with Semester 1 exams, these are a good way to prepare students for senior assessment. These exams form only a part of the assessment for each of the subjects concerned and not the entire grade. I would like students to prepare well and try their hardest, but also understand that exams represent just part of their learning.

Schedule for exams:

- Wed 21 Nov: English
- Thur 22 Nov: Science
- Fri 23 Nov: Maths (morning)
- Fri 23 Nov: Senior School Skills Test (afternoon)

The Senior School Skills Test is an opportunity for students to undertake a trial that will be similar to those required throughout their learning in Years 11 and 12. It is similar in structure to the AST, which Year 12 Tertiary students are required to complete.

Students will be expected to wear uniform as normal.

### **Christian Service Learning Week – Monday 26 November to Friday 30 November**

Year 10 Students will participate in a week of Christian Service Learning from 26 November – 30 November inclusive. During the year, students nominated agencies at which they will complete their 25 hours of service. Students will be credited with the completed Christian Service hours within the Angel Effect program. In the near future, students will be given a personalised information pack with the specific details regarding their placement, processes to follow and a detailed parent information letter. If there are any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact Amy Connellan, Head of Mission and Community [amy.connellan@merici.act.edu.au](mailto:amy.connellan@merici.act.edu.au) or Ph: 6243 4157.

### **Year 10 Reflection Morning – Monday 3 December**

Year 10 will participate in a Reflection Morning during Periods 1-3 on Monday 3 December. This is an opportunity for students to reflect on the Christian Service Learning Week, debrief and share their experiences with others. Students will also participate in a rehearsal for the Year 10 Awards Ceremony and Year 7-10 Advent Mass.

### **Road Ready – Monday 3 December and Tuesday 4 December**

Eligible Year 10 students will have the opportunity to undertake the ACT Road Ready course at school on the 3 & 4 December. More information about Road Ready will be distributed shortly. Those students not participating will attend normal classes.

**Year 7-10 Advent Mass and Year 10 Awards Ceremony – Thursday 6 December**

The Year 7-10 Advent Mass will be held on Thursday 6 December at 9:30am, followed by the Year 10 Awards Ceremony at 11:00am.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Phil Coe". The letters are cursive and fluid, with the first letter 'P' being significantly larger and more prominent than the others.

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