NOTICE TO ALL STUDENTS ABOUT ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE 2014 SCHOOL YEAR

BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS:
In the last week of the Christmas holidays, we are providing some help to our families to help them have everything organised for coming back to school.

COLLEGE OFFICE
The College office will be open between 8.30am and 3.00pm to allow families to make any necessary inquiries on the following days:

    MONDAY 20th JANUARY  TO FRIDAY 24th JANUARY
    between 8.30am and 3.00pm

UNIFORM SHOP
The Uniform Shop will be open between 8am and 2pm, to help families purchase all items of our uniform.

    MONDAY 20th JANUARY  TO FRIDAY 24th JANUARY
    between 8.00am and 2.00pm

The Uniform Shop run by Mrs Luccitti and Mrs Cassar itself is located underneath the Library. It is open every school week on Wednesdays, 8am – 2.00pm in all Terms of the year. The Uniform Shop sells new items of uniform as well as some items of second-hand clothing.

- MEASUREMENT FOR BLAZERS FOR 2014
All students wear a College blazer as part of their uniform in Terms 2 and 3. Families needing to purchase new blazers in 2013 will need to have their son measured at the College very early in Term One so that blazers can be made and delivered well before the end of Term One. The tailor from the company which makes the blazers will be here at the College to measure the boys requiring new blazers on Tuesday 11th February, 2014 and Tuesday 18th February, 2014. Further details will be given about this measuring when school comes back in Week 1, 2014.

N.B. It is not satisfactory for students to begin ordering their blazers at the beginning of Term 2. All students who are intending to buy a secondhand blazer must check whether the Uniform Shop has one their size, and purchase it BEFORE the time to measure for new blazers has past. If the Uniform Shop is NOT able to provide students with a secondhand blazer in their size (which is often the case) then these students will need to buy a new blazer, and therefore be measured in early February 2014 on the dates mentioned above.
SCHOOL STARTS

STUDENTS
For STUDENTS, the 2014 Academic Year begins for the various Year Groups as follows:

- **Years 7** commence for the whole school day in full school summer uniform at 8.35 am on **Wednesday 29th January 2014**. **Year 11 Peer Support students also return with Year 7 on Wednesday 29th January 2014**, Peer Support will only be required until lunchtime, and they will be free to go home at the beginning of lunchtime i.e. around 12.30pm.

- **Years 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12** return, in full school summer **Sports Uniform**, at 8.35am **Thursday 30th January, 2014**.

**SPORT WILL BEGIN ON THURSDAY 30th JANUARY**
- **Years 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12** will attend their chosen sports elective or squad as determined at the end of 2013. Full Sports Uniform is to be worn.

- **The Year 7 students** will have their Swimming Assessment on **Thursday 30th January**, and are to bring all necessary swim wear and towel with full Sports Uniform. **Year 7 will begin their other rotation sport on the following Thursday in Week 2.** Full Sports Uniform is to be worn.

- **The College Annual Swimming Carnival** will be held at Parramatta Pool on **Friday 21st February**. All parents are warmly invited to come along and join us on this full St Pauls Community day.

**MASS TO BLESS THE COLLEGE’S ACADEMIC YEAR**
- On **Friday 31st January** at 11am in Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Church we will celebrate as a College Community a special Mass asking God’s blessings on all of us and on our educational pursuits and for 2014. All families are warmly invited to join us and pray with us as we consecrate our year ahead to the greater glory of God.

IN GENERAL
It is expected that all boys will return to school with exercise books, writing equipment etc already acquired, ready to begin work immediately. The same expectation applies to being in fully correct College uniform on their very first day.

Students must have acceptable grooming on the first and every school day, this applies to appropriate haircuts. The College guidelines regarding acceptable grooming can be found on the College website under Parent Information.

N.B. **Student Diaries** will be issued in Week 1 of Term One and the cost will be included in School Fees.

The arrangements outlined above have been made to help ensure that all necessary preparation for the quickest and best start to the school year are accomplished **BEFORE** school begins rather than after it begins.

My best wishes to all families for a well-deserved, safe and happy break and a holy Christmas.

David Bourne
College Principal