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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Re: St Agnes Catholic High School Subject Selection Process

This letter outlines the processes that the school has in place to provide a smooth transition for our Year 10 students as they prepare and plan for entry into Year 11 in 2019.

Year Group Meeting: Monday 21st May

On Monday 21st May all Year 10 students will be addressed in a Year Group assembly regarding their options for senior schooling. Students will be able to choose from a variety of pathways that are all designed for them to achieve the Higher School Certificate at the completion of Year 12. Pathways on offer include the selection of subjects which provide an ATAR that may lead to tertiary study at university, non-ATAR courses that will allow students to continue further study at TAFE or at a private college, electing to study a specific trade or direct entrance into the workforce.

2019 Subject Taster Days: Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th May

Over the two Taster days the Teaching & Learning Coordinators will present to all students the Stage 6 courses which will be offered for senior schooling. For each course students will receive detailed information on the content, assessment and specific nature of the course. It is hoped that these two sessions will provide students with the information needed to assist them when making their subject choices for next year.

Subject Selection Presentation: Monday 4th June

Year 10 students and parents are invited to a Subject Selection Presentation evening on Monday 4th June commencing at 6:30pm in the San Damiano Centre. It is expected that all students attend this evening along with their parents in order to receive information on the various Stage 6 pathways, subject choices and senior schooling requirements. The Subject Selection Handbook will be officially launched and distributed on the evening. Teaching and Learning Coordinators will be available on the evening to answer any questions you may have about the senior courses.

Round 1 of Online Subject Preferences: Opens on Monday 4th June & Closes on Tuesday 12th June

Students will each receive an email that will require them to complete an online subject preferences form indicating their initial subject preferences for Year 11. It is the first formal step in the subject selection process that by no means locks them into a pattern of study, but rather provides the school with critical information on students preferred patterns of study for next year.

Round 2 of Online Subject Preferences: Opens on Monday 25th June & Closes on Monday 2 July Subject lines will be generated from students initial preferences. Students will then once again be emailed to complete their second round of online subject preferences to indicate their final subject preferences for Year 11. As well as submitting their preferences online, students will also need to print their preferences form and get their parent/carer along with themselves to sign and return the form to the Student Office by Monday 2 July.

Subject Selection Interviews: Term 3 Weeks 1 - 3

The school will use the information from the second round of subject preferences to determine which subjects are able to be run based on the numbers of students expressing interest in each subject. A grid of subject choices will be created from the information. Students will be given details about their subjects in class, but there will need to be interviews with some students and their parents in regard to the suitability of the selected subjects.

Loyola Catholic Trade Training Centre

An information session will be held for parents and carers regarding 2019 enrolment into the Loyola Trade Training Centre on Tuesday evening, 15th May 2018. If you are unable to attend or wish to find out more information regarding this pathway please contact the Loyola Catholic Trade Training Centre on 8886 9509 or email them at loyolacttc@parra.catholic.edu.au

Summary of Key Dates

Date	Event
Monday 21st May	Year Group Meeting regarding Year 11 2019
Wednesday 23rd May & Thursday 24th May	2019 Subject Taster Days
Monday 4th June: 6:30pm - 7:30pm	Subject Selection Presentation Evening
	Please register your attendance for this evening at www.trybooking.com/VUJE
Monday 4th June to Tuesday 12th June	Round 1 of Online Subject Preferences
Monday 25th June to Monday 2nd July	Round 2 of Online Subject Preferences
Term 3: Weeks 1 - 3	Subject Selection Interviews

We are excited at having been given the opportunity to work closely with all students and their parents during this important time to ensure that each student is best equipped to make well informed decisions regarding their senior schooling and future career pathways.

I look forward to meeting you all at the Subject Selection Presentation evening on 4th June. If you have any questions in the meantime please feel free to contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

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