

Saint Kentigern College Parents and Friends Newsletter

Providing an inclusive and memorable experience for the College parents and caregivers.

Term 1 2022

Welcome to all families for Term One 2022, we hope you all had a great summer. We certainly can't complain about the amazing weather! While we have started the year with many of our events postponed such as the evenings for new families I know the College will do a great job getting you up to speed, we have a virtual welcome and update planned for Tuesday 22 February, 7.30pm (please see next page).

In the meantime, a little bit about us:

For those of you who are new to our community the purpose of the Parents and Friends Association is to provide an environment for parents, caregivers and friends to meet and to develop support for activities at Saint Kentigern College. We also arrange in-person support and fundraising for events and activities, arrange social functions – such a P&F Information and Social Evenings and provide a liaison between the association with the Trust Board, Principal and staff of the College.

The P&F team plan an informal parents gathering each Term where we ask a member of the Board and Principal of the College to share updates with the parent community and we also have a guest speaker who will share information that is topical for parents and caregivers. As soon as we are back on site we look forward to welcoming you all in person.

In anticipation of planning evenings we would also love to hear from you about the topics you would like us to source a speaker for, who has knowledge they can share with us. For example, we have a school parent who is a medical specialist that is going to speak with us on vaping as soon as we are up and running.

Please email **skc_pfadmin@saintkentigern.com** before the end of Term and we will endeavour to arrange appropriate speakers for our Parents & Friends information evenings in future.

Have a fabulous Term,

Margaret Wind, Chair & The Parents and Friends Team Saint Kentigern College Parents & Friends

Parents & Friends Information Evening 7.30pm - 8.15pm Tuesday 22 February VIRTUAL P&F Update

The College will email a 'Teams Live' link closer to the time to allow you to connect to the presentation, we will also welcome and answer as many questions as possible via the online forum.

7.30pm	Margaret Wind	Welcome and Update on behalf of P&F
	Dr Kevin Morris	Executive Trustee, Saint Kentigern Trust Board
	Mark Conelly	Chairman, Saint Kentigern Trust Board
	Duncan McQueen	Principal – Acting, College Update
8.15pm	Question and Answer	

This is a great opportunity for new parents we are yet to welcome in person to gain an understanding of the Parents and Friends, and for you to get up to speed with the year ahead.



PARENTS & FRIENDS FUNDRAISER 2022

QUIZ NIGHT Saturday 18 June

Parents and Friends will be holding our annual fundraising event in 2022 on Saturday 18 June. Please save the date! We are planning a Quiz Night function which will include a silent auction. This function will support the funding of student outdoor areas around the campus.

Should you have a product or service you would like to consider donating for auction please register your interest or send details via email Trish at **skc_pfadmin@saintkentigern.com**. This will be a key part of the event to help raise funds for our kids. Thank you for considering supporting the event.

ASIAN PARENTS GROUP

Under the red light, unfortunately we're not able to host the first P&F Asian Parents meeting, originally scheduled on 24 March. So far, 81 new parents have joined P&F Asian Parents WeChat group, receiving new parents' training and sharing information on aspects of SKC in Chinese, should anyone still wish to join the group, please email our Asian parents Convenor, Mrs. Judy Dong at <u>skc_pfasiangroup@saintkentigern.com</u>

PARENTS IN PRAYER



You are warmly invited to join a group of parents who meet together to pray for the College, the students and staff as well as our own children, and any Saint Kentigern families or staff who are going through serious illness or difficulties. You are also invited to email through any prayer requests you may have.

Contact: <u>parentsinprayer@saintkentigern.com</u> – to request prayer for anything, or to find out more details.



PRINTER FRIENDLY VERSION OF THE TIMETABLE



OLE – SAINT KENTIGERN'S LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM For those of you who are new (or not so new) to the OLE here is a great tip for printing timetables.



Go to the OLE and click on time table at the top of the page, in the top right corner you will see three small dots stacked vertically, click on that and a drop down menu will give you the option to print, great back up for the diary or stuck to the fridge!

FOOD FROM THE HEART



We are pleased to confirm that our Food from the Heart initiative will continue to run through Term One 2022.

This term will run a little differently as far as sourcing meals is concerned, however most importantly we *are ready to help*. If you are aware of any families in our community who could benefit from this service please don't hesitate to get in touch – for example a family in bereavement, illness or

hardship, we are able to respond quickly to deliver meals. Please email Duncan McQueen <u>duncan.mcqueen@saintkentigern.com</u>. Please know this is treated confidentially and with discretion.

For more information please email Corinne Stilwell at corinne.stilwell@gmail.com

Parents & Friends COMMITTEE

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