

Integration Update #25 – Term 4, Week 6

As Term 4 draws to a close, this will be the last Integration Update in this form before we start our inaugural year as Scots All Saints College. Work continues to be ready for 2019 on policy and program development, infrastructure upgrades, rebranding and recruitment of new teaching positions and support staff. While our transition will progress well after the final class of 2018, one thing is certain, our new College will be stronger together - offering more subject choice, greater opportunities in academics, physical and social development, student leadership roles, inspired learning through teachers who take the time to care, a positive student wellbeing program tailored to each year group and specialist facilities to enable our students to thrive and grow in their dynamic learning environment. We thank you for joining this journey with us.

Communication Program to be ready for 2019

The Headmaster and Executive Leadership Team will provide important information before Christmas to help you plan your back to school schedule. An online **'Starting in 2019 Commencement Pack'** will answer many of your questions. The Headmaster will email parents an email letter with campus maps, College calendar, uniform price lists, uniform shop opening times, daily schedules, school bus and cross-campus transport, stationary/ textbook/ exercise book requirements, parent handbooks, class structures and staff lists.

Campus reception offices opening dates in the holidays – While students head off for a well-deserved break, office staff will continue to be available to assist. Many office staff and teachers will be relocating to various campuses in preparation for 2019. Please note, reception will be closed from Thursday, 20 December and will reopen on Monday, 7 January 2019.

Face to face conversations - Following feedback from parents, students and teachers, a fresh, new approach to communication will be developed in time for the start of the 2019 school year. Two-way, interactive communication is valued which will be enhanced through online tools as well as face to face forums. Assemblies, teacher-parent interaction, parent involvement in the classroom e.g. Reading groups for Juniors will continue and be valued.

eNewsletters - The College community can expect to receive weekly eNewsletters with a new and improved format to make it easier to find the information you need. It will aim to be more succinct and focus on what's coming up for the week ahead. While student achievements will be highlighted, other channels will be used to support these messages.

Website – the new scotsallsaints.com.au website will be launched in January 2019. Until it is fully functional, a holding site has been created. The two current school websites will continue to provide information on the Integration process such as FAQs, and **Commencement pack** information including a **College calendar, maps, uniform price lists, uniform shop** opening hours in the holidays, daily schedules, Dining Hall meal options, bus information, staff lists and more.

Year book – a new annual publication to celebrate the highlights and achievements throughout the College year.

Social media channels will also play a role to keep you informed sharing photos and stories from students in their daily activities. Current school Facebook pages are planned to fold into the new @scotsallsaints Facebook page so please make sure you 'like' our new page ASAP. Our YouTube channel is also available with our latest films – search for Scots All Saints College. Look out for Instagram and Twitter coming soon.

College Calendar – This will initially be provided online as a downloadable document before Christmas and printed copies will be provided one per family on the first day of Term 1, 2019. The College **Major events calendar** fridge magnet will be presented to students before the end of term so check your eldest child's bag for these key dates.

Student Diaries – one per student will be available for Day 1, Term 1, 2019. Key information will be presented by campus. Diaries encourage daily communication with teachers.

Online tools

- **Canvas** already used by Middle and Senior School year groups will be extended across SASC to help students plan study and homework with an online calendar, assignment and assessment schedules and parent and teacher dialogue and feedback.

- **CareMonkey** will be rolled out across Scots All Saints College. This intuitive online tool enables parents to set up a secure profile for each child to inform the school of health information and their preferences, with notifications from the College directly to parents' email boxes to manage student welfare, permissions, excursions and leave requirements.

- **Boardingware** is the most secure and easy-to-use boarding student welfare tool which will be used to support the growing number of our boarding families. Boardingware is used to track, monitor and manage permissions and authority for leave to ensure safety and security of our boarding students.

More information and how to guides will be provided to help parents and students to maximise the communications tools on offer.

We look forward to starting strongly in the inaugural year of Scots All Saints College. If you have any questions about this information, please email info@saints.nsw.edu.au

Competition Houses for students and purchasing new house polo shirts

Students have been allocated into their new house and will be advised next Monday, 3 December 2018. Please encourage your child to review the lists that will be available on the noticeboards at each campus to receive their new house name and colour. Junior School teachers will add these details to their students' diaries. The uniform shop will also have a list to help allocate the right polo shirt to your child when you come in to purchase the new competition house shirt.

All students are required to purchase their new house polo shirt before the start of term and wear it for sports classes and carnivals including the swimming carnival in early Term 1, 2019. As the College doesn't allow mix matching uniforms, it is encouraged that students also be fitted in the new uniform sports shorts and socks at the same time.

Uniform Update

The All Saints' uniform shop will be extending the sale of items until next Tuesday. There is still a good supply of bags; blazers; kilts; boys navy and white socks; sports shorts and tracksuits at drastically reduced prices. After Tuesday the shop will close and the uniform will no longer be available for purchase. Opening hours are:

30 November 8:30 – 10:00am

3 December 8:30 – 10:00am

4 December 8:30 – 10:00am

A reminder that all children in K-12 will need to have purchased a sports uniform for Term 1. The uniform consists of a House polo shirt, shorts and socks. These items can be purchased from Noone who are working in partnership with the College to supply uniforms. Noone will have a list of the students in each House.

View the new uniform shop on All Saints Campus opening hours and price lists can be found here: http://www.saints.nsw.edu.au/uniform_shop

Name it and Claim it – Student Publication Naming Competition – new name announced

Following a rigorous review process of the 58 competition entries by the student leader judging panel in collaboration with the College Council, the decision was unanimous that the new of the new Scots All Saints eNewsletter from 2019 will be '**The Roar**'. While five entrants chose this name in the eNewsletter category, it was the reasoning that won over the judges. Congratulations to **William Helms**, Year 7 in 2019 who named 'The Roar' with the simple, yet effective reasoning of *"Relates to the symbol of the lion in the College crest, representing a strong and courageous voice."* William has won a new BYOD laptop valued at \$1500.

In regards to the name of the Year Book, the College Council decided that no one name stood out and the competition for that name is to be relaunched in early 2019 for the chance to win the second BYOD laptop valued at \$1500. We encourage students entering Years 7 to 12 in 2019, to get their thinking caps on over the school holidays as the search for the most appropriate and fitting name for the Year book continues.

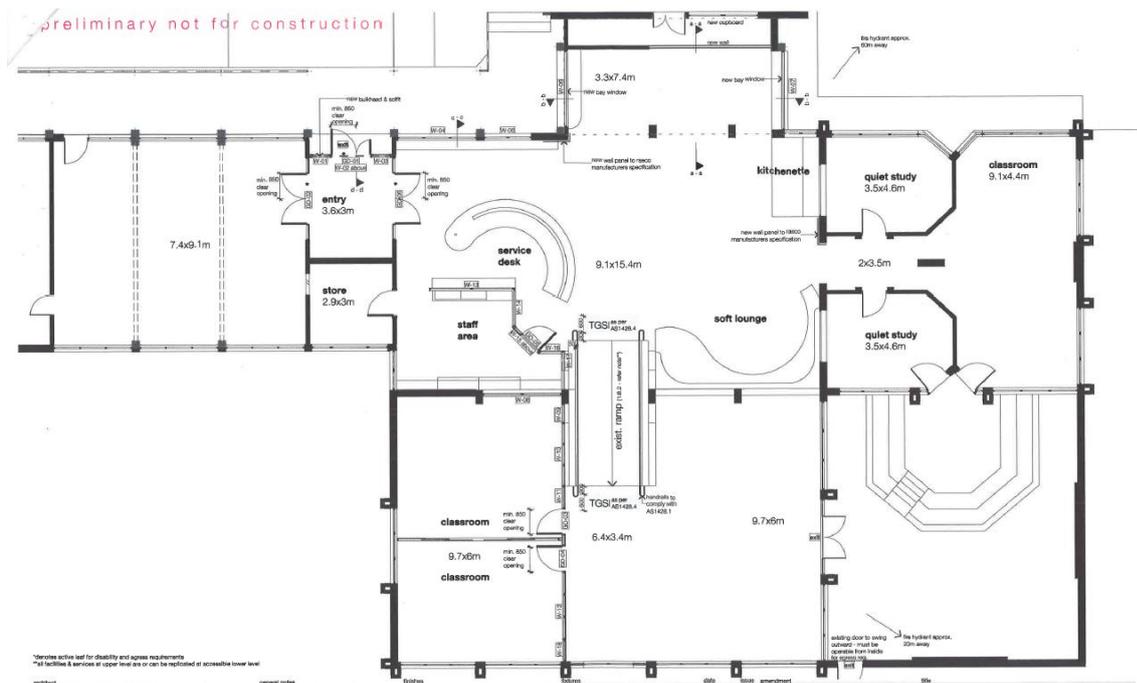


Caption: L-R – Judges Zane Newham (MS Captain), Andrew Knox (Prefect), Kate Hodges (Prefect) and Emily Brown (MS Captain) present William Helms his certificate

Designs for the new Scots Campus Senior School library makeover revealed

Work commenced early last week on a significant makeover of the Scots Campus library. Known as 'Cameron Library', the \$400,000 upgrade will modernise the facility with individual study rooms, breakout creative work spaces, improved technology and seating to cater to the various needs of all Senior year groups. The renovations will be complete by mid-January and officially opened for the start of Term 1, 2019.

Here is the high level design concepts and plan.



New Marketing Campaign revealed – space to be

We strongly believe Scots All Saints College will emerge as a regional college of choice from 2019. Supported by Christian values, a world of opportunity is available for students to excel academically, socially and physically to achieve their full potential. Already students are enjoying some of the benefits of Scots All Saints College so we thought it was only fitting that we made them the focus of our new film – space to be – which celebrates College life and the wealth of possibility for every student. This short film will be launched this weekend on the @scotsallsaints Facebook page. We encourage you to view the film and share it with your friends and family. You may recognise a few familiar faces.

More information coming soon.

Watch this space – the space to be – Scots All Saints College.

Useful links:

<http://www.scots.nsw.edu.au/About/2019-integration>

<http://www.saints.nsw.edu.au/integration>

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