

Dear parents and students,

### **Year 11 2018 Subject Selection Information Evening**

Year 10 students will soon be asked to select a combination of subjects they wish to study in their Preliminary and Higher School Certificate (HSC) years. To assist parents and students in making informed choices, an information evening will be held at the school.

**Date:** Thursday 17th August  
**Time:** Tea and coffee from 6:00pm; Formal Addresses from 6:15pm.  
**Location:** Edmondson Hall

The Roy Watts Rd (main entry) gate will be open from 5:45pm and parking is available at the front of the school.

All students and parents are encouraged to attend this information evening. All residential students are required to attend even if their parents are not in attendance, and will be accompanied by residential supervisors on duty.

The agenda for the evening is:

- **Welcome address by Mr Daryl Currie, Principal**  
Mr Currie will discuss the school's philosophy towards HSC subject choices and the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) rules for the HSC, the HSC examination, marking and reporting procedures, and the scaling process associated with the ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admission Rank).
- **Heather White, Senior Pathways Officer, NSW Department of Education**  
Ms White will discuss VET and TAFE options for senior study.
- **Mr David Coombes, Year Advisor**  
Mr Coombes will provide information to support both subject selection and provide information relevant to parents and students to assist in a positive approach to the challenging senior high school years ahead.
- **Mr Sam Cavallaro, Academic Support Programs**  
Mr Cavallaro will outline the planned academic support programs for senior students at Hurlstone Agricultural High School. These programs provide the basis of a successful and resilient student at this school. Making use of the resources available through the many initiatives on offer build academic capacity and resilience of our students.
- **Mrs Sharon Davis, relieving Head Teacher Teaching and Learning**  
Mrs Davis will outline the procedure and timeline for students' subject choices and introduce the faculty representatives who will be available to respond to questions.

Following the formal proceedings there will be an opportunity for students and their parents to mingle with representatives of the various courses offered in Years 11 and 12. It is expected that the evening will conclude promptly at 8:00pm.

Should you have any questions concerning the selections your child is making please feel free to contact the Deputy Principals (Ms Castle, Mr Craig or myself).

Best regards,

Mr Steven So, Deputy Principal