

# OPEN DAYS 2021

## + Boarding Schools

### A fresh start

By Joseph Elzerman

The school year is off to a fresh start, and Sydney's schools are once again opening their gates to students and their parents. This year, memories of lockdown restrictions, coupled with the convenience of technology, has resulted in lower-than-average attendance at school open days across New South Wales.

What can be gained by attending a school's open days?

To be educated is to be changed, and to enrol your child is to select the system of change you believe will help them most. A school's open day lets you meet teachers, students and other parents. It shows you how the school will communicate and inform you of your child's progress. It gives you an insight into the school's values, mission, approach and curriculum.

Education makes use of daunting acronyms, but by asking questions you can understand what to expect and explain it to your child. Open days show how the school operates in practice. They allow you to imagine how your child might fit in. Importantly, they give your child the opportunity to find their way around the school and consider what travel options are available.

By meeting teachers and students, watching them interact, visualising how your child would fit in, and learning about the curriculum, open days give parents a more in-depth overview of their options. An open day always puts you at an advantage.

IMAGE: Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Kensington

*Come and visit us*  
... inside your local schools



Trinity Catholic College's

# OPEN AFTERNOON

**Enrolments Now Open**

**Wednesday  
3rd March 2021**  
at Regents Park  
Campus, 37 Regents  
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**4:00pm - 8:00pm**



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# OPEN NIGHT

**Wed, 10 March**  
**6.00-8.00pm**



**Principal's Address @6.00pm**

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**FRIDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2021**  
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Applications are available on: [info@casimirmarrickville.catholic.edu.au](mailto:info@casimirmarrickville.catholic.edu.au) or contact the office on: 02 9558 2888



Oakhill  
COLLEGE

# Open Day

## Sunday 7th March 2021

10.00AM - 2.00PM

Oakhill College was established in 1936 and is part of an extensive global network of Lasallian schools. Our holistic approach supported by Catholic values and traditions, prepares our students to serve and enrich a dynamic and ever-changing world. At Oakhill College we inspire our students to aspire to greatness.

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423-513 Old Northern Rd, Castle Hill NSW 2154  
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*Bookings essential. Check the website for any possible COVID-19 variations.*



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# College Open Day (K-12)

SUNDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2021

**Junior School (K-6)** 9:00am-11:00am  
Kieran Geaney Drive, Gregory Hills

**Senior School (7-12)** 10:00am-1:00pm  
100 Badgally Road, Gregory Hills

St Gregory's College is a leading coeducational College from Kindergarten to Year 6, and the only Boys College in the Macarthur region for day and boarding students in Years 7 to 12. Our College Open Day is a wonderful opportunity to be introduced to the College and to explore the facilities and opportunities that St Gregory's College has to offer.



## 2020 HSC RESULTS

**99.85**  
TOP  
ATAR  
for 2020

**10**  
Students  
with an  
ATAR over 95

**13.6%**  
Of all  
results were  
Band 6 results

**84**  
Students on the  
Distinguished  
Achievers List

**1**  
Student  
on the Top  
Achievers List

**3**  
Students on the  
State All-round  
Excellence Award

**25/30**  
Courses taken,  
were above the  
State Means

**5**  
Students  
recognised for their  
Major Works

Bookings are required, please visit the College Tours page on our website [www.stgregs.nsw.edu.au](http://www.stgregs.nsw.edu.au)



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**MONDAY 1 MARCH 2021**

**Magdalene Catholic College is excited to invite you to our Open Afternoon**

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU**

Magdalene Catholic College is an environment which has students at the centre. Our community of 1080 young men and women is a place where lifelong holistic growth is valued by fostering high expectations, quality relationships and academic success for all. We develop courageous hearts and creative minds. We look forward to welcoming prospective and returning families into our community.

**College Tours:**

3:45-4:45pm | 5:15-6:15pm | 6:45-7:45pm

**Pre-registration on our website is essential**



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**Loreto Normanhurst**

**Virtual Open Day  
Saturday, 6 March 2021**

**Discover where Loreto Normanhurst can take you.**

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A leading Sydney independent, Catholic, day and boarding school for girls in Years 5-12.

# St Gabriel's School, nurturing independence, transforming lives!



At St Gabriel's School we provide a nurturing, dynamic and faith based educational environment for students with disabilities including sensory impairment, intellectual disability in the mild to moderate range, and autism. As a K-12 co-educational school, our programs are highly personalised ensuring that each students' gifts and talents are recognised, developing their independence and confidence for the future.

With over 95 years of experience in delivering special education, our qualified educators recognise an outstanding start to school sets the tone for success. Working in partnership with parents, we ensure that each child settles into the routines of school and through pos-

itive learning experiences that they will feel empowered, engaged and valued members of our School community.

We invite you to attend our Virtual Open Evening for Kindergarten 2022 on Wednesday 3rd March (via Zoom) to hear more about our school.

Please contact Mrs Jo Biggs, Registrar on 9634 2367 or [enrol@stgabriels.nsw.edu.au](mailto:enrol@stgabriels.nsw.edu.au) for enquiries and to book.

We look forward to seeing you at St Gabriel's.

**Jon Franzin, Principal**  
St Gabriel's School  
190 Old Northern Rd, Castle Hill  
[www.stgabriels.nsw.edu.au](http://www.stgabriels.nsw.edu.au)

**St Gabriel's School**  
EXCELLENCE IN SPECIAL EDUCATION K-12

*Building a Bright Future*  
K-12 BY 2024

## Virtual Open Evening Kindergarten 2022

**WEDNESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> MARCH**  
6.30 – 7.30PM

Our **Kindergarten information session** will be held this year via **Zoom**. Please contact **Mrs Jo Biggs**, Registrar on [enrol@stgabriels.nsw.edu.au](mailto:enrol@stgabriels.nsw.edu.au) or **9634 2367**. School tours will then be scheduled during Term 1.

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YEARS 7 - 12  
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**WEDNESDAY 24 MARCH**  
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*Please check our website for further information*

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[info@aquinasmenai.catholic.edu.au](mailto:info@aquinasmenai.catholic.edu.au)

**Phone: (02) 9543 0188**  
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24 February 2021 | 4pm – 7pm



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- Meet our Principal and College Leaders

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Meet the new College Principal

# OLMC OPEN DAY

Sunday, 7 March 2021

Year 7, 2023 Enrolment Applications open Tuesday 23 March

Register for Open Day at [www.olmc.nsw.edu.au](http://www.olmc.nsw.edu.au)

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## Good Samaritan CATHOLIC COLLEGE

# OPEN DAY

Saturday  
20 MARCH 2021  
11am - 1pm

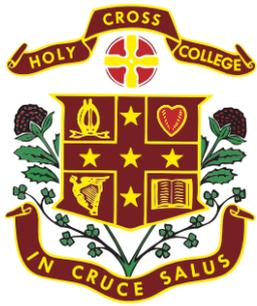
The Good Samaritan community extends an invitation to prospective parents and students wishing to enrol for Year 7, 2023.

The Open Day commences with a presentation in the College Hall at 11am.



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[www.goodsamaritan.nsw.edu.au](http://www.goodsamaritan.nsw.edu.au)



# Holy Cross College, Ryde

## OPEN DAY

**Invites you to attend our 2021 Open Day.**

Open day tours are a wonderful way to experience the welcome of our community, explore the modern learning facilities and gain an understanding of the advantages that only Holy Cross College can offer. Visitors will get to meet our students, parents and staff, and develop an understanding of how our curriculum and our diverse co-curricular offerings set your son up for success.

**Sunday 7 March  
10.00am to 1.00pm**

Book for Open Day online or call the Principal's secretary  
 Phone: 02 9808 1033  
 Email: [info@holycrosscollege.org](mailto:info@holycrosscollege.org)  
 Website: [www.holycrosscollege.org](http://www.holycrosscollege.org)  
 Address: 517 Victoria Road, Ryde NSW 2112



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College  
KENSINGTON

## Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College Kensington

# Twilight Open Day

**Join us on Wednesday 17 March 2021 from 3pm - 6pm**

*'A community of the Heart, living and learning together'*



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College, Kensington | 36 Addison Street Kensington 2033  
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# Crossing spiritual frontiers on campus

THERE ARE certain topics in Australia that are often deemed too dangerous for public discourse — and religion might be top of the list. This widespread reticence to talk about faith has always been a disappointment for Tasmanian-born Hadi Sulieman.

“I really love discussing theology and religion, but I went to a public high school in Hobart, and religion was never really encouraged and never really spoken about,” says Hadi, 23, whose family migrated to Australia from Syria in the 1970s.

This left a huge gap for Hadi, a devout Muslim who relishes any opportunity to engage in discussion on faith and doctrine. He filled the void by debating Islamic theology with members of his tight-knit but small Muslim community.

That all changed in 2018 when Hadi moved to the mainland to pursue a Bachelor of Nursing at Australian Catholic University.

At the urging of his Jew-

ish friend and flatmate, Hadi volunteered for ACU Campus Ministry’s Frontier program, which was launched in early 2018 to form faith-inspired student teams that engage with the wider campus community.

He became a regular attendee of the Ministry’s Connect Groups, where students discuss Catholic values and beliefs, and its Sunset Sessions, which offer more scope to engage in respectful-but-rigorous interfaith dialogue.

“I instantly found it fascinating,” he says. “When I was faced with the Catholic point of view, it was stimulating because we explored topics that were familiar to me, but from a different perspective, and I feel like that’s where you learn the most because you’re forced to delve a bit deeper and really challenge your beliefs.”

Hadi was soon offered a position as a Student Ministry Assistant, and has since dedicated seven hours a fortnight to this role, facilitating

and running these sessions that are open to anyone from any faith as well as those who don’t identify with a faith.

“It’s part of my role to make sure people feel comfortable talking about their beliefs in a safe space that’s open and encouraging, and I’m really passionate about promoting ‘the four Bs’: belonging, becoming, believing and being supported.”

Being involved in ACU’s Campus Ministry has helped Hadi to solidify his commitment to his studies. He sees nursing as an ideal occupation for those who want to contribute to the wider community.

“I like helping people, and I want to be able to go home at the end of the day, and even if I feel tired or I’ve had a long and hard day, at least I can put my head down on the pillow and think, ‘I helped someone today when they were at their most vulnerable.’”

Find out more about ACU at [acu.edu.au/study-at-acu](http://acu.edu.au/study-at-acu)



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**ST MARY'S**  
CATHEDRAL COLLEGE SYDNEY

**OPEN DAY**

Friday 12 March 2021 | Tours 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Student performances | Choir & Music Scholars 12:30 pm

Enrolments welcome from across greater Sydney | Close 24 March, 2021  
Years 3-6 2022 | Year 7 – 2023 | Years 8 to 12 – 2022

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Year 7,  
2022 and 2023

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## BOARDING SCHOOLS 2021

# More than face value at Loreto

By Joseph Elzerman



Ms Marina Ugonotti, Principal

Ms Marina Ugonotti, the Principal of Loreto Normanhurst boarding school for girls, says the reasons for choosing a boarding school are uniquely advantageous.

“Boarding together transforms a network of peers into sisters for life” says Ms Ugonotti. “Boarding is a significant contributor to the precious diversity of our community, while also supporting our deep commitment to ensuring all young women have access to the benefits of a Loreto Normanhurst education”.

Loreto Normanhurst was founded in 1897 by Mother

Gonzaga Barry of the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary (IBVM) and has since accrued over 120 years' worth of boarding school experience.

Schools like Loreto Normanhurst have the capacity to provide what may be considered “traditional” formative advantages. These include greater access to mentorship and pastoral care, which Ms Ugonotti says “is of the utmost importance in any boarding school”. Loreto Normanhurst’s FACE Curriculum – encompassing Faith, Academic, Community and Extra-curricular – is another advantage, designed to care for and challenge students to develop into “young women of grit, service and compassion”.

Secondary school prompts the development of responsibility and self-discipline, global perspective, and social and personal growth. A boarding school encourages and rewards these developments via its communal lifestyle. The energy of a boarding school’s young people, says Ms Ugonotti, results in a school that is “alive with laughter

and animated conversation around the clock”.

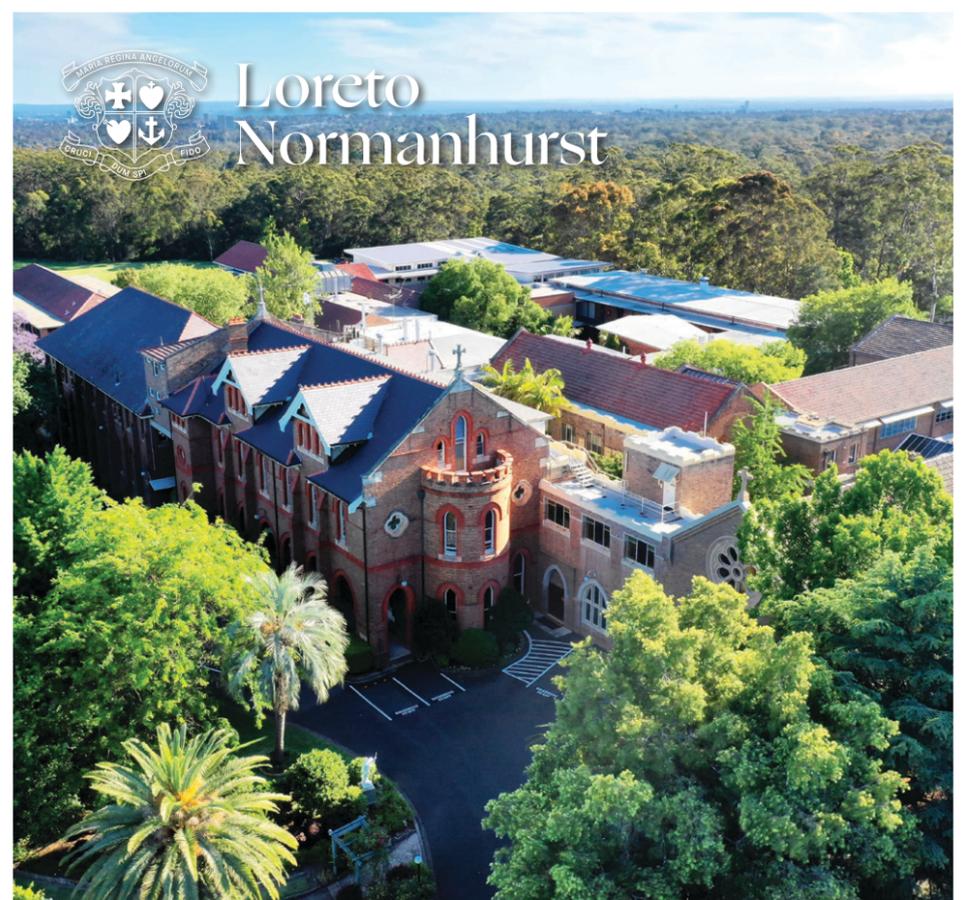
Brought together from all over New South Wales, Loreto Normanhurst’s students form “a diverse community which reflects the world at large” and forms its young women into “global citizens who understand the value of different perspectives”.

Some boarding schools face the challenge of a traditionally rigid timetable. In recent years, systems like Loreto Normanhurst’s flexible boarding model help take pressure off parents by including fully flexible weekends.

“This accommodates the changing needs of families”, says Ms Ugonotti. “It makes it possible for Sydney-based boarders to also benefit from the boarding experience”.

So, why send your child to a boarding school?

The answer is in the mentorship, pastoral care and quality of education. It’s in the flexibility available to families. It’s in a thriving community where the growth of a student is supported from start to finish.



## St Gregory's College



# Strong minds, gentle hearts



OUR MOTTO underpins the holistic educational experience offered at St Gregory's College Senior School. Here, young men in Years 7-12 learn to 'reap what they sow'; in social, academic, physical and spiritual domains. The agricultural theme of the motto is apt, as agriculture has been one of those significant aspects of a well-rounded life of-

ferred at St Gregory's College for more than 90 years. Starting out as a 'Farm School' in 1926, St Gregory's is now a contemporary College offering high-quality Catholic education and boarding facilities to students from all over the country.

[www.stgregs.nsw.edu.au](http://www.stgregs.nsw.edu.au)



A great strength of St Gregory's College is the breadth of opportunity offered to our young people, and the willingness and commitment of staff to provide it.

## Quae Seminaveris Metes – You will reap what you sow

THIS IS a community built on, and unified by, the Marist charism which has been developed and passed on by many Brothers and lay teachers walking in the footsteps of Saint Marcellin Champagnat. One aim of St Gregory's College is to shape, in partnership with parents, young men of strong mind and gentle heart.

A great strength of St Gregory's College is the breadth of opportunity offered to our young people, and the willingness and commitment of staff to provide it. Our students learn in well-managed classrooms, utilising technology and working collaboratively with others. Modern workshops and laboratory spaces have facilitated the growth in practical subject offerings like Timber, Metals, Engineering and the Sciences. Vocational Educa-

tion and Training subjects are offered alongside more traditional academic subjects. We take great pride in our strong HSC results, as much as we do in the achievements of our students following more vocational pathways.

Our young men have options to participate regularly in community service, through which they can further develop a strong social conscience along with a desire to contribute. They can choose to take part in reading groups, after-school study groups, debating and public speaking, cattle-showing and more. There is also an abundance of sporting opportunities on offer, including the option of joining with boarders in the Saturday ISA sporting competition.

The College is set on just under 300 acres in the Macarthur region, and

within easy reach of city amenities. Our students enjoy the spacious surrounds, and those who board at the College benefit even more. Boarders live in comfortable residential settings near families who live and work on site. They have a well-established study routine and benefit from the assistance of teachers and tutors after school hours.

For day students and boarders alike, St Gregory's College seeks to impart the skills and qualities necessary for young men to thrive, at school and beyond.

*'Every day is Open Day' for boarding families, so please contact our College Registrar, Mrs Kate Stott on (02) 4629 4130 or [registrar@stgregs.nsw.edu.au](mailto:registrar@stgregs.nsw.edu.au) to arrange a private tour or to request an application package.*



ST GREGORY'S COLLEGE  
CAMPBELLTOWN

### Educating fine young men with 'strong minds and gentle hearts'

St Gregory's College is a Catholic day and boarding school for Years 7-12 and a co-educational day school for Years K-6.

We have been welcoming and educating boarding students since 1926.

St Gregory's offers affordable boarding options for your son!

### Visit us on Open Day!

Sunday 21 February 2021 | 10:00am - 1:00pm

Meet the College Principal and Director of Boarding and chat to our Boarders.

*"Where endless learning opportunities abound every day."*

Bookings are required – please book via our College Tours page on our website [www.stgregs.nsw.edu.au](http://www.stgregs.nsw.edu.au) or visit our Facebook page.

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St Vincent's College is committed to educating and nurturing young women to become competent and well skilled

## Expand Her Horizons

ST VINCENT'S College sits amidst some of Australia's most expensive real estate and with aspirational views of the city and harbour. It would however be a mistake to classify St Vincent's College simply by its postcode. The College is the diverse community who gather together, rather than its locality. This diversity has given St Vincent's an ethos of advantage rather than entitlement. Students from all areas of greater Sydney can easily access the College by public transport, and for those further afield the College has a very well established and highly respected Boarding House. Right from its foundation, the College has been committed to educating and nurturing young women who are competent - ready and skilled to live life to the full beyond graduation.

Our Boarding Program provides a wonderful preparation for Tertiary Study in Sydney with our residential students well supported through supervised study and access to Tutors in the evenings. The easy access to before and after school activities, and the proximity to some of Sydney's best recreational and educational infrastructure means the Boarders have a very rich educational experience. We believe it is one that is particularly helpful in preparing a student for tertiary study at any one of Sydney's renowned institutions of higher learning. Our Boarding Students performed well above expectations in the HSC exams and are now well prepared both academically and in their independent living skills for their Tertiary education. Our day and boarding students

make great use of our location as an extension of their learning and recreational activities. They participate in a comprehensive Social Justice Program and enjoy the full range of sport, Performing Arts and oratory activities.

The College website provides current and helpful information about academic and pastoral care, spiritual guidance, balanced co-curricular programs and the many other aspects of College life. We invite you to consider how our Academic, Boarding, Music and Drama Scholarships might allow your daughter to join with the legions of Vinnies' girls who have been educated at St Vincent's College since 1858.

Please visit [stvincents.nsw.edu.au](http://stvincents.nsw.edu.au) for more information on the College and our Scholarship opportunities.

## St Vincent's College



St Vincent's College  
Potts Point

## A busy and contemporary independent school



ST VINCENT'S College is a very busy and contemporary Catholic Independent School for girls for Years 7 to 12. The College has been on the same site at Potts Point since it was founded by the Sisters of Charity in May 1858. It is the oldest Catholic girls' school in NSW (for day students and boarders).

From the beginning, the Sisters believed in the value of a girls' education and the strength of a Catholic faith. Today, St Vincent's continues to provide a high standard of education encouraging excellence, critical inquiry, independence in learning and above all, commitment to truth and personal integrity.

The College fosters creativity,

discernment and leadership in the development of students to be courageous women of action.

### Our proudly held values are:

- Generosity of Spirit
- Hope
- Justice
- Respect
- Service of the Poor.

These five College values create our ethos. They underpin all aspects of our community with a solid grounding in social justice instilled in every aspect of daily life. St Vincent's College is all about preparing its students to be compassionate and confident leaders, ready to speak up and take action in response to injustice.

## Fast-Track Her Educational Journey



Independent IN THOUGHT  
Compassionate IN ATTITUDE  
Confident TO ACT



St Vincent's College  
Potts Point

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# ST STANISLAUS' COLLEGE



## JOIN US AT STANNIES IN 2021

### Term 1

- Year 6 Taste of High School Day
- Year 6 Transformative Learning Expo for Parents
- Year 5 Experience Day
- Year 4 Discovery Day (tbc)

### Term 2

- Dubbo Boarding Schools Expo
- Wagga Wagga Boarding Schools Expo
- Western Boarding Tour

### Term 3

- Narrabri Boarding Schools Expo
- Year 9 and 11 2022 Subject Selection Meeting
- Old Boys Fundraising Dinner
- ATAR Information Night

### Term 4

- Year 7 2022 Orientation Day
- New enrolled Boarders Orientation Program
- Stannies Community Christmas Carols

Families are invited to arrange a personal tour with a member of the College Leadership Team at a time that suits them or register to attend our next Open House Thursday.

Enrolment enquiries and tour bookings via [registrar@stannies.com](mailto:registrar@stannies.com) or 6331 4177

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