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Dear Parents and Carers

**Re: Assessment & Reporting
Subject Selection Process
Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews**

Assessment & Reporting

As you are aware, live reporting and feedback on your child's learning is accessible through the PAM platform. As this is the end of the Semester, now is a good time to have a discussion with your child about their learning.

In addition to this, Summary transcripts of the Major Assessment Tasks, Learning Behaviours and Victorian Curriculum levels will be emailed to you in the coming days. Feedback from families has been that while live reporting can provide up to date information, collation of these assessment tasks are still a desirable document, and can serve a range of purposes. The PAM platform allows us to do this in a way that our previous reporting software could not.

Reports can also be accessed at any time through the Parent Access Module: [PAM](#).

Subject Selection Process

The Subject Selection Process is significant in the lives of our students. It is often seen as an time, as students get to make decisions based on their interests and future pathways. It can also be a challenging time, with students requiring support to work through the range of options open to them. To facilitate and support you and your child in this process, the following compulsory dates have been set.

Subject Selection Evening – (Compulsory current Years 8-10 Students/Parents & Carers):

Monday 22 July from 6.00pm – 9.00pm
(Marian Centre Gymnasium, St Mary's Campus, Barkly Street)

This event is critical to the selection process. Please refer to the attached flyer for more information.

All students in years 8 – 10 will be given a hard copy of a 'Subject Selection Form' on this evening which should be completed and signed by the Student, Parent and mentor either at Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews. Current year 7 and 11 students will be given these forms in year level assemblies at the college. The Mentor will then complete the final selections online with the student based on the hard copy selection form.

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Years 10-12
Barkly Street, Bendigo 3550

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Year 8 & 12 in 2020

Students entering Year 8 and Year 12 in 2020 will complete their Subject Selection on line with their mentor prior to Parent/Student/Teacher interviews, however you are welcome to make an appointment during the P/S/T interviews if required.

Explore Subject offerings on the [Subject Selection Information page via PAM](#). Please note that student information sessions will be taking place during the first week of Term 3 to assist with the subject selection process. The students will receive an information pack and planning form during this session to bring home.

Explore the following links available via [PAM](#) 'Subject Selection information page', which will provide you with some excellent pre-reading to help with your decision making.

[Parent Support Information Page](#)

[Careers Page](#)

[Student Careers Exploration Page](#)

If your child wishes to pursue an Applied Learning Pathway in 2020 they should make an interview with their Year Level Learning Leader (YLLL) at Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews. You can make your bookings by contacting the General Office at St Mary's by phoning 5445 9100.

Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews (Current Year 7 – 12)

Thursday 1 August 4.00pm-8.00pm

AND

Friday 2 August 9.00am-4.00pm **(PUPIL FREE DAY)**

(Marian Centre Gymnasium, St Mary's Campus, Barkly Street)

Parent/Student/Teacher Interview bookings with your child's 2019 Subject teachers and Mentor (if required) can be booked via [PAM](#). (please click on link on the right when logging into PAM) The booking site will be available from 9.00am, Wednesday 17 July.

Please Note: If your child is entering **Years 9-11 in 2020** Students/Parents/Carers are required to attend a compulsory 10 minute interview with their Mentor in addition to their subject teachers. During this time, you are required to submit your online Subject Selection receipt to your child's Mentor.

In the event that you are unable to make a booking with your child's Mentor, we ask that you email your child's YLLL by Wednesday 31 July to make an appointment to complete the Subject Selection process.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the College by phoning Coolock 5449 3466 or St Mary's on 5445 9100.

Yours sincerely

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