



St Patrick's College GYMPIE

Let your light shine

21 June 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian,

From Monday 7 August until Wednesday 9 August (Week 5, Term 3), Yr. 11 students will be engaged in a number of team building and leadership activities, designed to foster a cohesive and functional group of Yr. 12 senior students in 2018. These days are considered an important part of our students' development and it is expected that all students attend as part of normal school attendance requirements.

Students who are normally on work experience or traineeships are required to reschedule these commitments.

On the Monday, the Yr. 11 students will depart from the College on buses for the three-day leadership camp. The camp aims to build on their leadership, positive relationships and teamwork skills with a strong focus on Self, Others and the Community. The Camp will be held at Noosa North Shore (Retreat) and will be facilitated by Total Adventures, an outdoor education company, which specialises in team building and leadership activities. Over the three days, students will engage in activities including high ropes, stand up paddle boarding, leap of faith and team challenges. All of the activities are structured to challenge students but also to provide a safe framework in which students feel confident and supported.

Monday evening will be facilitated by a Brisbane based provider called yLead and will focus on personal growth and leadership development that build the confidence and tools that students need to become cohesive, effective and influential student leaders. yLead take the students on a journey that develops a stronger sense of self-awareness, a greater understanding of their peers, a motivation to make a leadership contribution to the school and a well-developed sense of what it takes to lead.

Permission for your child to attend the Y11 Leadership camp is via **Qkr**. There is no additional cost for the camp as this is covered in the College levies. When giving permission you will be asked to confirm that all medical details are up to date and notify of any special dietary requirements. Please complete this by **Friday 21 July**. It is very important to confirm the number of students attending with outside facilitators by this date. If for exceptional reasons, your child is unable to attend, please contact the office by phone as soon as possible.

We are looking forward to the opportunities for personal growth and leadership that these three days provide and are keen that every Year 11 student attends and fully engages with the program.

Thanks for your cooperation,

Patrick Anstock (Rice House Middle Leader)

Mrs Paula Elvy (APA Pastoral)