

27 September 2018

Dear Year 10 Parents,

RE: End of Year Arrangements, Year 10

As the end of Year 10 approaches, this letter outlines arrangements for the remainder of Year 10 and the start of Year 11.

End of Year Exams

The final exams for Year 10 will be held from **Friday to Tuesday, 9-13 November**. During this time students will sit exams as the final assessment in most of their subjects.

Celebration Supper

The Celebration Supper will be on **Wednesday, 14 November** at Orange Christian School. Year 10 have special leave that day to allow them time to get ready for their supper that night. This is a special night of celebration when parents, students and their teachers come together to enjoy this significant milestone. Please note that this event is limited to students and their parents only. The Year 12 graduation is the time where students are encouraged to invite further guests.

Tickets are on sale now at the front office and the dress code is semi-formal. The supper will begin at 6:45pm and conclude around 9:30pm. Tickets are \$25.00.

Rite of Passage Retreat

This retreat will take place on **Thursday, 15 and Friday, 16 November 2018** at Ridgecrest Christian Education and Convention Centre. All students continuing at Orange Christian School in 2019 are expected to attend this camp for the entire time. The retreat is designed to prepare Year 10 students for the transition into Senior Secondary School, and to build relationships between Years 10 and 11 students. We have found that the students value the opportunity this camp provides to build friendships with both their peers and their teachers.

Please mark these dates on your calendar. If your child has part-time work, please ask them to make arrangements with their employers to be available for the entire time.

Students will leave from OCS on Thursday morning and will be ready for collection back at school at 5:00pm, Friday afternoon. The cost of the camp has already been included in school fees.

Any students leaving Orange Christian School at the conclusion of the school year may have leave for these dates.

Return of Textbooks and Library books

As Year 10 is now drawing to a close, please return all text books to the school. They are a valuable resource that we, as a school, must manage carefully.

Textbooks need to be returned to the Learning Hub by Wednesday, 7 November 2018.

Part of our policy is that new textbooks will not be issued to students until they have returned all outstanding textbooks. This means that any students planning to continue onto Senior Secondary will be unable to receive their new textbooks until their Year 10 texts have been returned. As the new Senior courses commence on 19 November, we would like to be able to distribute Senior textbooks at that time.

If textbooks have been misplaced or damaged they will need to be paid for as soon as possible. If this presents a difficulty for you, please do not hesitate to contact me as soon as possible and we will see what arrangements we can make to help you in this matter.

It is in your child's best interests to receive their Year 11 textbooks as soon as possible. Please help us make the return of textbooks as smooth as possible. If your child is unsure about the full list of their Year 10 textbooks, they can check this list with our librarian.

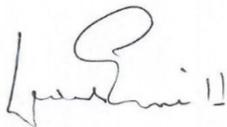
Senior School Starts

On **Monday, 19 November** Senior courses begin. We would like departing Year 10 students to return to school for the remainder of the 2018 school year, unless another date has been organised in advance with Len Elliott or Melissa Brown.

Senior Uniform

After Rite of Passage, students who are moving into Senior Secondary are permitted to wear the Senior uniform. If students feel that the winter skirt is too warm, they may wear the current summer uniform until the end of 2018.

Yours in Christ,



Len Elliott
Senior School Co-ordinator