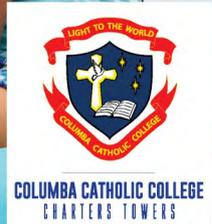


# Shine at Columba

## Residential News

15 August 2019



Dear Parents, Caregivers, Staff and Students

It is great to be back from Long Service Leave. I would like to thank all of those people who have filled in for me in my absence. From what I have been told, everyone did a sterling job. I am looking forward to catching up with as many parents, staff and students as possible over the coming weeks.

As per usual there will be many activities on offer for our residential students. The more involved that students become with the opportunities on offer, the more they will tend to enjoy their lives at Columba. This weekend, Columba will be hosting its musical "Back to the 80s". Many of our boarders will be involved including Kaiku Sambo who is a real superstar in the making. It will be great to see as many parents at this event as possible.

I turn your attention to the Residential Leave procedure. Leave forms need to be submitted by Wednesday afternoon by the students and signed off on by both the parents/caregivers and host parents by Thursday afternoon. This procedure needs to be adhered to so that the College can accurately cater for its residents. On occasion leave will be denied to a student if the College feels that their safety will be compromised. Mid-week leave is discouraged so that student study routine is optimised.

Over the coming weeks, the College will look to revamp and formulate a new pastoral care program (for 2020) so that the College can better service the ever changing needs of its boarders. The College residential leadership team is looking to include activities that will enhance the students' abilities/skills so as to embrace life successfully not only whilst at school but post secondary school as well.

It is with much regret that I have to inform you that our College cook, Glenis Wilkins has resigned from the College. She was very popular with students and staff and will be sorely missed by all who know her. I wish her every success in the future.

Regards



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