

New Senior School Build Program Update

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The purpose of this newsletter is to provide you with an update on our new Senior School build program here at St Philip's Christian College Gosford. We feel very blessed to be able to explore and design this new facility for our community and are really excited by what the future holds.

If you weren't at our Presentation Evening last year, I presented a few proposed images and concepts for our new Senior School facility. At this stage of planning with the architects we are looking at the following elements being a part of the build program:

- A new three storey building will sit on the existing embankment on the oval and will form the new entrance for the School. It will contain the administration office, numerous new classrooms and study spaces. Behind the building a rock-climbing wall is being proposed.



- New 75 space car park and student drop off/pick up zone – which will take the total number of car parking spaces onsite to 150.





- A new oval for sport, including cricket nets. At this stage of planning we are looking into this oval to be made with synthetic turf so that students can enjoy more access to it, regardless of the weather.





- A new undercover basketball court with a mini athletics track around the edge with a tiered seating section.



- The new building will also include a café whereby parents, staff and senior students can enjoy building community.





- As you can see the new building will certainly make a positive impression from the main road too.



We anticipate that the submission for DA approval may take some time but we are praying for a smooth and speedy approval as the construction time may take up to 12 -15 months. So unfortunately, due to various delays during last year, we will be submitting our DA this year.

We are thankful to God for His provision and the opportunity that we have to design the educational experiences for our students as they prepare for the future. Your prayers for the process are very much appreciated. Should you like to financially support this new Senior School Building, you can do so by contributing to our Building Fund. The details for our building fund are below or you can contact our Business Manager Mrs Georgie Strong at the College via email <u>Georgina.Strong@spcc.nsw.edu.au</u> or phone 4331 4400.



Building Fund Donations may be made on a fully tax-deductible basis for donations over \$2.00 to:

St Philip's Christian College Building Fund (ABN 72 384 743 825) via Electronic Funds Transfer to BSB 062-000 Account 20272448

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We will keep you informed of the latest developments for the project as they arise. We are excited about the opportunities that this project will provide for our whole community and I hope you are too.

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