Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2015 school year. This year will be full of adventure and excitement as we welcome the first of our Year 7 students to high school and also our last group of new Year 8s.

Our Staff and contractors have worked feverishly throughout the school holidays to ensure that we have our "state of the art" learning facility ready for our Junior Secondary students. I thank them all for their hard work and commitment.

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