



## Save Money & Help the Environment!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

You may notice that this year, at the top of each booklist is a message from the College reminding parents that the College encourages the reuse of consumable items such as document wallets and display folders. This focus, that aims to make our College a more environmentally-friendly space, began last year, as College staff encouraged students to take these items home and reuse them this year. We have been really pleased by the response and can happily report that there was a significant decrease in the amount of these items finding their way into the rubbish bins.

With that in mind, we ask that you please discuss this with your child to ascertain if they do have materials that can be reused or if those items need to be replaced because they may have been lost or damaged. If replacement items are needed, there are still many display folders and document wallets at the school that the students are welcome to for free. These items are located in boxes outside **Rm 315** and will remain there until the end of the year so please encourage your child to take what they need from the supplies that are there.

The Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS) department is changing their textbook for 2019 and so the Pearson books that were swapped at the end of last year will not be required next year. However, the new books purchased for 2019, will be used for years to come so we are planning on holding a book swap for the HASS texts in Term 4 of 2019. We ask that you do not throw this year's Pearson books into landfill, rather we encourage you to either try and sell them privately or we are accepting them and will organise to donate them to a school of need within our region.

The current Year 9 and Year 10 Mathematics texts: Maths Quest 9 and Maths Quest 10 remain the same texts for 2019, so there is the opportunity for those books to be reused. In light of this, we will be running a Maths book swap at recess on the day of the Year 10 Maths exam, **Monday 3 December 2018**. This means the Year 10 students will have their textbooks up until the exam and still allows parents to order a textbook if their child isn't able to secure one during the book swap. Order online up to **Sunday 9 December 2018**. Please refer to the Booklist for information on orders received after this date. At this book swap, Year 10 students will be able to donate their textbook, Year 9 students who donate their textbook will receive a Year 10 textbook and any Year 10 student that donates a textbook will be able to collect a Year 9 textbook for a Year 8 sibling.

Together, we can reduce the waste we produce as a College by reusing the resources we already have, that's a win for us and the environment! Please get behind this move to prevent perfectly good resources, (which are predominantly plastic) ending up in landfill – a waste of money and resources.

Thank you

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