Wednesday November 10th 2021

Dear Parents,

This invisible enemy COVID-19 is still with us and I reach out to all our families to **vaccinate** as soon as possible. Mass vaccination is a clear way to make sure **#covidbegone**. Here at school we continue to have **zero transference** and we want to keep it that way with your help, so please continue to remind your children about leaving masks on, regularly cleaning of their hands and social distancing.

Recently I was lucky to be able to celebrate with a number of students that deserve to be recognised at the 'The Principal's Breakfast', this time we were all together. The first Principal's Breakfast in nearly 2 years. The purpose of this breakfast meeting is to provide an opportunity for **student voice**, to meet me in an informal meeting so that we can **celebrate and recognise** their contributions and listen with focus to their concerns or celebrations. Also, to recognise our awesome students that may not always get a shout out. Sometimes, these are the students that are the quiet achievers.

The criteria for this recognition, includes progress in academics (not attainment), attitude to school, relationships with others, attendance and finally attitude to work. We believe this is an excellent way to highlight the outstanding commitment and progress made by individual students.

Congratulations to all and thank you for being a part of our school.

FS1 Samyuktha Siddharth

FS2 Yohan Renny

Year 1 Diarra Fayth Lobo

Year 2 Sadhvi Hettige

Year 3 Sanjeev Ganesh

Year 4 Tamara Elizabeth Alex

Year 5 Hridik Misra

Year 6 Jacob John Wilson

Year 7 Rebekah Alwin

Year 8 Manay Bhatia

Year 9 Erica DCosta

Year 10 Maha Al Marzuki Chowdhury

Year 11 Aisha Siddique

Year 12 Siddarth Anand Nayar

Year 13 Atharv Pramod Naik

This year as part of our ongoing focus on wellbeing we will be engaging in a programme developed in Australia called PEEC (Positive Education Enhanced Curriculum). PEEC is a research-based, developmentally sequenced, explicit positive education curriculum that is integrated with our teaching pedagogy. It is not a one- off event, however a series that strengthens our students' Emotional Intelligence. We endeavour to equip our students with the life-long skills to be self-aware and develop the ability to self-manage thoughts, emotions and behaviour.

We ensure that all of our students receive guided support that enables each individual student to be **future ready**, equipped with the tools to live fulfilling, resilient and successful lives, whilst also having a **positive impact** on those around them. This will promote the importance of taking care of our minds and gaining the knowledge of how to adopt and **apply strategies** to support our mental health. PEEC will help our students to develop the skill of communication through **compassion and empathy**, with the intention to recognise the needs of others and respond accordingly.

This along with our HPL journey will make our students unstoppable.

I now leave you for this week, be safe, be generous, be forgiving,

Sincerely

Lachlan MacKinnon

CEO/Principal