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**NEW STUDENT
INFORMATION**



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College Motto

Hi in curribus et hi in equis;
NOS AUTEM IN NOMINE DOMINI
Dei nostri invocabimus

'Some trust in chariots or horses, we however, trust in the name of the Lord'
Psalm 20:7



The information provided in this book is accurate at the time of production (October 2023). It will enable new students to understand some of the more important aspects of being part of the St Stanislaus' College community.

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Welcome

Welcome to St Stanislaus' College. It is always an exciting time for the students and staff when a new student joins us. We look forward to welcoming you to St Stanislaus' College and sharing with you the joy of becoming part of this wonderful community.

It may seem very different as you move from one school to another, and if you are joining us as a boarding student, it may be your first time living away from home. We will do all that we can to help you make the transition a smooth one.

Our current students will help you settle in quickly and many will talk about the sense of family and community they developed. They will help you to adapt to the daily routine.

I hope that you will take advantage of the variety of experiences the College has to offer and become involved and maybe even challenge yourself with something you haven't done before. Some of these opportunities range from sports to music, chess, agriculture club, equestrian, debating and public speaking amongst other co-curricular activities.

The Vincentian values and philosophy of education form the foundation of all that you experience at the College and are an important aspect of your day to day routine.

I welcome you to Stannies. We look forward to watching you grow and develop into a fine young man who will go into the world as a man for others.

Mr Lindsay Luck
Head of College

The Stannies Story

St Stanislaus' College was established in 1867. It is the oldest Catholic Boys Boarding School still operating in Australia. The school came under the leadership of the Congregation of the Mission (Vincentians) in 1889, following the arrival of the Vincentian fathers and brothers from Ireland. Vincentians continued in the role of President and Headmaster at the College until 1993, when the first lay principal, Mr John Edwards, was appointed. St Stanislaus' College is the only Vincentian School in Australia.

The impressive façade of the College was designed by Edward Gell a renowned architect of the region, originally from England. The Chapel and Marble Hall were part of his original building design and were completed in 1872/73. Other additions included the Gallagher Wing in the 1940s, extension of the Chapel and Marble Hall in the 1950s, John Hall Wing and Slattery Wing 1960s, McMahon Wing 1980s (completing the Quadrangle) and more recently the Brothers' Wing, (Technology and Applied Studies (TAS) Rooms), Performing Arts Centre (PAC) and Indoor Recreation Centre (IRC) and Trade Training Centre (TTC).

In 1896, the College received much media attention when it became the site of the first x-ray for medical purposes in Australia. This x-ray was taken by Father Joseph Slattery CM on 21 September, and showed the location of gunshot in the shattered hand of a young man. Fr Slattery was a leading physicist and teacher of natural sciences. Today the College houses the Slattery Museum which is dedicated to Fr Slattery who was at the forefront of numerous scientific developments.

In 1916 St Stanislaus College was gifted a 50-acre farm, Sunnyside, just minutes away from the main campus. Today, Agriculture and Primary Industries classes are taught at Sunnyside which is also the location for the College Agriculture Club and Equestrian Team.

Stannies' magnificent grounds boast eight ovals. The cricket oval was opened in 1932 with a game of cricket against the Australian XI including Alan Kippax and Sir Donald Bradman (a wonderful signed bat is housed at the College as a memento). Rugby Union is another sport that the College is well recognised for with the first teams established in 1888. Many Stannies Old Boys have represented their state and nation in both these sports.

The College recreational facilities include tennis courts, indoor and outdoor basketball courts and practice cricket nets.

Saint Stanislaus Kostka

Saint Stanislaus, Patron Saint of Youth (1550-1568) was the son and second child of well-respected Polish senator John Kostka. He was 14 when his father sent him and his brother Paul to study in Vienna. Stanislaus loved the faith and devotion of the Jesuit house in which he stayed.

When he was a young man, Stanislaus was severely bullied by his brother and others and it was the strength that he displayed to overcome this hardship that earned him a reputation as a young man of great character.

Eventually after prompting in his devotion to Mary he decided to enter the Jesuits to become a priest. The Superior of the Jesuits at Vienna would not allow him to enter because he knew that his father would oppose it so Stanislaus walked 560 km to Germany where, after a time, he was instructed to join the Jesuits in Rome.

Stanislaus made the long journey on foot to Rome and joined the Jesuits. Despite receiving threats from his father that he would use his power to remove all Jesuits from Poland if his son did not return, Stanislaus replied that he was following God's call.

Ten months after joining the Jesuits, Stanislaus died on 13 November 1568 at the age of 18.

Saint Stanislaus and Us

So how is Saint Stanislaus relevant to us as a school today? Saint Stanislaus Kostka is the patron Saint of youth, making him essentially our patron saint.

Stanislaus' strength and ability to endure and eventually overcome his suffering and pressure, is an example and inspiration for all of us in our college community. As we progress through our schooling, facing academic, sporting or personal challenges, the image and life of Saint Stanislaus should act as a guide. We are reminded that he watches over us, and acts as a permanent reminder of triumph over personal adversity.

Saint Vincent de Paul

Vincent was born of poor parents about 1580 in Gascony, France. They felt that priesthood was an educational and economic escape for their son. Vincent was schooled under the Franciscan Fathers.

In 1596, he went to the University of Toulouse for theological studies where he was ordained priest in 1600 at the age of 19.

In 1605, on a voyage by sea he was abducted by African pirates and became a slave in Tunis for about two years until he escaped.

In 1617, he began to preach Missions, and in 1625, after hearing the confession of a very poor peasant he knew that he was called by God to preach and care for the poor.

He laid the foundations of a congregation which afterward became the Congregation of the Mission and with Louise de Marillac he founded the Daughters of Charity.

Vincentian Charism, Prayer and Liturgical Life

The Vincentian charism of care and outreach to others is reflected in everything we do at Stannies. Our Charism is an open invitation to explore who you are in relationship with God and each other. It is not a club but a journey.



St Stanislaus' College seeks to proclaim the Gospel in the spirit of St Vincent de Paul. We teach students to understand what the Good News is all about including our commitment to the poor and those who need us most. Students learn important lessons from and about the life of St Vincent de Paul.

As a Catholic community we pray and worship together. Tutor Group prayer commences the school day. Throughout the year we join together for Masses (eg: Opening of the School Year, Year Group Masses, Mother's Day, Father's Day). We also come together for prayer and reflection (eg: Harmony Day, ANZAC Day Commemoration, Holy Week Liturgy).

Works of Social Justice

The College community strives to live out the Vincentian charism of care for those who need it most. The St Vincent de Paul Conference leads the College in response to a number of needs. In 2022 we raised money for Project Compassion and the Winter Appeal. Some members also volunteered to assist local residents with their gardening and in previous years, visited residents at St Catherine's Aged Care Facility.




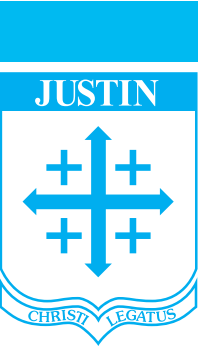


The College responds in prayer and outreach to many social justice issues and we invite students to learn and understand the background and reasons why people need our support.



The House System

There are six Houses at Stannies. You will be placed in a House and remain in the same House for the six years you are at the College.

The Houses and their associated colours are:

	<p>CHARLES</p> <p>Charles Borromeo</p> <p>Latin motto: Humilis Corde</p> <p>English motto: Be of humble heart.</p> <p>Colour: Red</p>		<p>JOHN</p> <p>John the Evangelist</p> <p>Latin motto: Verbo Perhibe</p> <p>English motto: Be faithful (witness) to the Word.</p> <p>Colour: Green</p>
	<p>JOSEPH</p> <p>Joseph, husband of Mary</p> <p>Latin motto: Esto Vir Justus</p> <p>English motto: Be a Just person.</p> <p>Colour: Yellow</p>		<p>JUSTIN</p> <p>Justin de Jacobis</p> <p>Latin motto: Christus Legatus</p> <p>English motto: Be ambassadors for Christ.</p> <p>Colour: Sky Blue</p>
	<p>VINCENT</p> <p>Vincent de Paul</p> <p>Latin motto: Omnia in Christo</p> <p>English motto: Hold all things in Christ.</p> <p>Colour: Royal Blue</p>		<p>XAVIER</p> <p>Francis Xavier</p> <p>Latin motto: Exemplum praebere</p> <p>English motto: Show example.</p> <p>Colour: Maroon</p>

Who's who at Stannies

At Stannies you will be with approximately 650 other boys, and sometimes you will need to ask for help. If you or your friends are unsure about what to do or are worried about something and you need a helping hand, here are some people you can talk to:

Tutor Teacher

Your Tutor is the first teacher you will greet at the start of the school day. Your Tutor is responsible for recording your attendance and assisting with any issues you may have on a day-to-day basis with school. Your Tutor looks after your wellbeing and guides you in the preparation of your Personal Learning Plan. Your Tutor will contact your parents/carers after you have been at Stannies for your first few weeks to discuss how well you have settled in to your new school.

Pastoral Care Coordinator

Your Pastoral Care Year Coordinator is responsible for all matters related to your Year Group and is available to provide assistance to you and your parents when issues arise.

College Counsellors - Nina Calveley, Rosemary Clifton and Jodie Macmillan

Nina, Rosemary and Jodie are available for you to discuss any issues you may have. You can visit them by yourself or with some friends. Our Counsellors work with the Pastoral Care Coordinators and are responsible for Wellbeing at Stannies.

Dean of Learning Improvement and Innovation - Melissa Lang

The Dean of Learning Improvement and Innovation supports all teachers to ensure that our students are fully engaged in their learning and gain the most from their education.

Dean of Curriculum, Compliance and Analytics - Virginia van Gend

The Dean of Curriculum, Compliance and Analytics is responsible for all curriculum based matters which includes all the subjects taught at the College. Mrs van Gend works with teachers to ensure you settle well into all of your classes.

Deputy Head of College - Mission Operations - Victoria Hughes

The Deputy Head of College - Mission Operations is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the school and also works closely with the Head of College.

Deputy Head of College - Vincentian Identity and Practice - Mark Elliott

The Deputy Head of College - Vincentian Identity and Practice supports the Wellbeing team and the Academic Care Coordinators in their leadership roles and also works closely with the Head of College.

Head of College - Lindsay Luck

The Head of College is responsible for the overall leadership of the College.

Health Centre and Nursing Staff

The Health Centre operates during school time and the College nurse is available to assist you should you feel unwell. The nurse will contact your parent or guardian if you need to go home or require medical attention.

Term Dates for 2024

Key Dates

Term 1: Wednesday 31 January to Friday 12 April

Term 2: Tuesday 30 April to Friday 28 June

Term 3: Tuesday 23 July to Friday 27 September

Term 4: Tuesday 15 October to Friday 6 December

Daily Procedures

General Overview

Stannies caters for both day and boarding students, consequently some of the daily routines are quite specific. Procedures specific to boarding are contained in the boarding handbook for students.

All students are required to be at the College Monday to Friday, no later than 8.50am, ready for Tutor Group. Some co-curricular activities may begin earlier before school and the staff member involved will make individual arrangements with students and parents.

The school day comprises six classes around 52 minutes per class. The day begins at 8.55am when all students from Years 7 to 12 meet in Tutor Group with their Tutor.

Many of the co-curricular activities, including sports team training, take place after school from 3.30pm and parents may need to make arrangements for transport home.

Daily Organisation with SEQTA

SEQTA helps students take control of their learning and take advantage of all the opportunities that Stannies provides.

Some of the information available through SEQTA includes:

- Your daily timetable.
- Assessments – view upcoming tasks, task due date and notifications, results and performance.
- Homework – view lesson details and set homework for each subject.
- Attendance – view attendance information for each day and period of the school year including any sick bay visits and absences from class.
- Calendar – view upcoming events and excursions scheduled on the school calendar.
- Your goals in your Personal Learning Plan.

Access to SEQTA will be provided at the commencement of the school year to students and parents and is password protected for each user.

A typical Timetable

The timetable works on a Week A and Week B rotating basis, with classes held at different times and sometimes different classrooms.

Transport

Students requiring bus transport to and from school who have not had a bus pass before, can complete an application online at [transportnsw.info/school-students](https://transport.nsw.info/school-students).

If you already have a bus pass, details need to be updated at apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updatedetails. Bus companies are able to provide detailed information regarding stops and routes. At the time of printing, the bus services for 2024 are as follows:

Bus Service	Service to school	Service from school
Newmans Buses 02 6331 5767		
Servicing Oberon	Departs Fleming Street 7.45am Arrives Brilliant Street 8.30am	Departs Brilliant Street 3.35pm Arrives Fleming Street 4.20pm
Servicing Blayney	Departs Blayney 7.40am Arrives Brilliant Street 8.30am	Departs Brilliant Street 3.35pm Arrives Blayney 4.30pm
Lithgow Buslines 02 6352 3888		
Servicing Lithgow	Departs Lithgow 7.10am Arrives Brilliant Street 8.40am	Departs Brilliant Street 3.30pm Arrives Lithgow 5.05pm
Orange Buslines 02 6362 3197		
Servicing Orange	Departs Orange 7.40am Arrives 8.25am	Departs 4pm Arrives Orange 5pm
		Late Bus 1 Departs 4.40pm Arrives Orange 5.50pm
		Late Bus 2 Departs 5.40pm Arrives Orange 6.50pm
Bathurst Buslines 02 6331 2744		
Servicing Bathurst	Please contact Bathurst Buslines or see website for all services www.buslinesgroup.com.au/bathurst	

Canteen

The College Canteen operates Monday to Friday at recess and lunch. Students can purchase items using EFTPOS or cash. Lunch orders are done online via the Qkr! app (available for free on AppStore or Play Store).

A Term Ref Pass is also available for day students. This allows day students to obtain their recess and lunch, being whatever is on the menu for that day, from the Boarders' Refectory. The passes are purchased via the Qkr! app at the beginning of each term.

Absences

You are expected to attend school every day except when illness, injury, or some other condition beyond your control prevents you from doing so. You are expected to be at school by 8.50am so you can be in Tutor Group at 8.55am where attendance rolls are taken.

There are several ways for Parents/Carers to advise the College of your absence:

- SEQTA Engage App (available for free on AppStore or Play Store)
- An email to your Tutor
- A parent/guardian can phone the College on 6331 4177.

All absences from school are to be verified with a written letter from a parent/carer when you return to school.

Late to School

Being punctual to school is important and it is your responsibility to get to school on time. You will be considered to be late if you arrive after the start of Tutor Group at 8.55am. A text notifying your parents will be sent. If you are late to school you must go to Reception to be signed in.

Early Departure From School

If you need to leave school for any reason during the school day, you are required to provide a note from your parent or guardian to show your Tutor and then at Reception, where you will be signed out. The parent or guardian picking you up must also sign you out at Reception.

Books and Equipment

Students in Years 7 - 9 are required to commence at Stannies with a Chromebook Device. Students in Years 10 - 12 are to have a laptop. The required information about student technology and BYODD Portal is available at www.stannies.com. Stationery requirements can also be found on the College website.

Additional equipment may be needed for specific subjects that commence at different times throughout the year. You will be notified of requirements prior to commencement in that subject area.

Textbooks

All required textbooks are issued from the College Library.

Student Planner

Each student will be issued with a Student Planner, it is labelled with your name and your Tutor Group. Your Student Planner is a source of communication between your teachers and parents and the place where you record your homework and assignments. It is important that you have your Student Planner with you during the school day so that your teachers can record information for your parents to review. Parents/Carers/Boarding Houseparents are asked to sign the Student Planner each Sunday.

Homework

Homework is set for each subject during the week. You can expect homework to increase as you progress through secondary school. Homework is an important aspect of learning and includes assignment work, revision and study. The College has a separate Homework Policy.

Lockers

Lockers are available to store school and sporting equipment not required throughout the school day. You are advised not to bring unnecessary expensive items to school and to ensure that any items of value are locked in your College locker. The College retains the right to inspect all student lockers.

Co-Curricular Life at Stannies

You are encouraged to participate in a broad range of co-curricular activities but none of these are compulsory. The large range of activities ensures that every student can join a group and challenge himself to develop his interests, skills, abilities and potential. All students are encouraged to participate in at least one co-curricular activity.

Training/practice in co-curricular activities generally takes place after school, though for some this may be before school.

The College participates in the ISA competition in Basketball, Cricket, Rugby Union, Soccer, Tennis and Touch Football.

Students can also represent the College at ISA Carnivals in Athletics, Cross Country, Swimming and Triathlon. Students can progress to higher representation through to State and National levels in a wide number of sports through ISA.

Students are able to continue with their Sporting pursuits/commitments in local competitions (eg Soccer, Rugby League, Hockey).

The College offers participation in Creative and Performing Arts:

- Visual Arts Club
- Annual Musical - in collaboration with MacKillop College (2024, *Freaky Friday*)
- Crew Club (stage production, sound and lighting)
- Musical Groups: Stage Band, Concert Band, Choir and Diocesan Band Day

The College offers participation in a number of Agriculture opportunities including:

- Agriculture Club
- Agricultural Show Team

Students engage in inter-school competitions in a number of different areas including Chess, Public Speaking and Debating, Spelling Bee and Robotics.

Uniform and Grooming Expectations

Students are required to dress in clean uniform, neatly arranged. Worn, faded or defaced items must be replaced. This especially applies to the College cap.

Hair should be clean, tidy in shape, clear of the shirt collar, eyes and ears. No fancy cuts, layering, excessive fades, streaking, colouring, man buns, ponytails, etc. Hair must be the student's natural colour; dyed or bleached hair is not acceptable. Students must have a hair cut when directed to do so by College staff.

Students are to be clean-shaven.

Jewellery of any kind is NOT to be worn (includes piercings, earrings, studs, bracelets and chains).

Day students requiring a rare and temporary exemption regarding their uniform are to produce a note from their parents for their Tutor to sign. Boarding students are to obtain their note from their Houseparent or Head of Boarding or Team Leader.

College Uniform

Students in Years 7 to 9 wear junior uniform; students in Years 10 to 12 wear senior uniform.

Uniform for Class

- College grey trousers (with grey socks), or in Terms 1 and 4 only, navy blue College shorts with regulation College walking socks
- White shirt
- College tie
- College knitted jumper
- Black leather shoes (not jogger type or boots)
- College blazer, is compulsory and is to be worn to and from the College during Terms 2 and 3. It is expected that boarding students wear their blazers to and from class.

Uniform for Special Occasions, Years 7 to 9

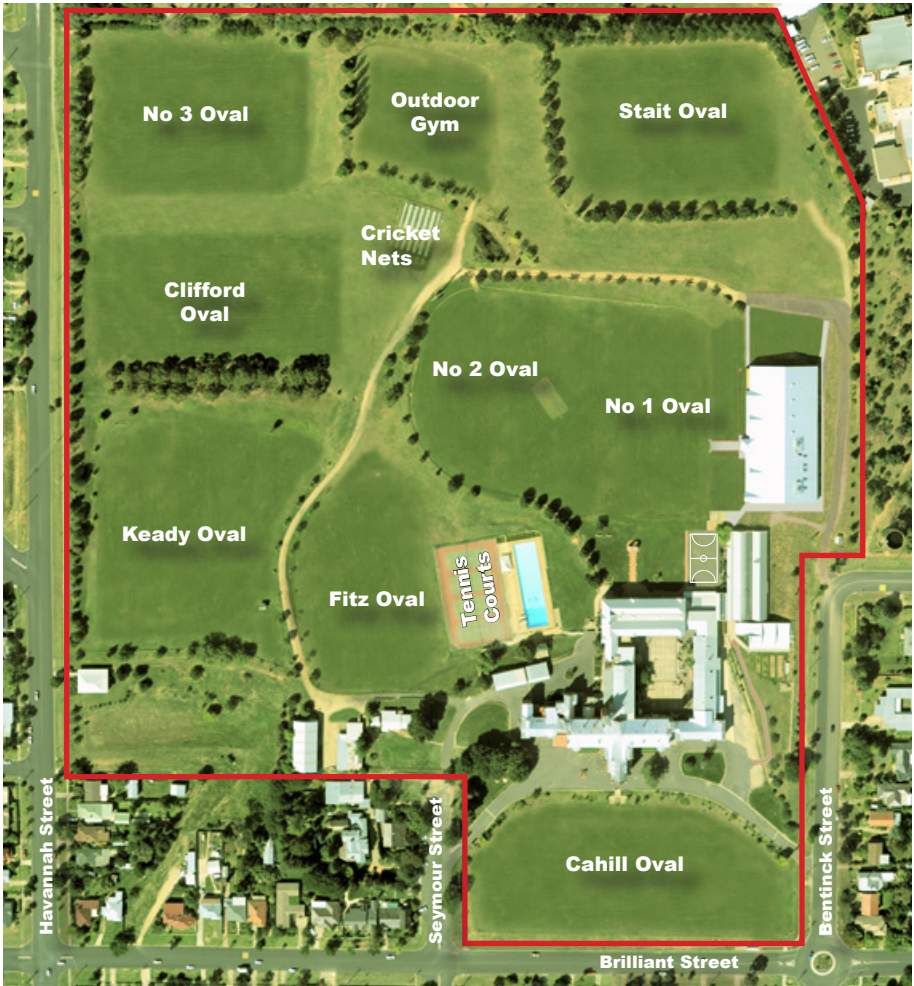
Junior College blazer, College grey trousers, white shirt, junior College tie, grey socks and black leather shoes.

Uniform for Special Occasions, Years 10 to 12

Senior College blazer, College senior grey trousers with black belt, white shirt, senior College tie, grey socks and black leather shoes.

The Class of 2023 initiated the tradition of a House Tie to recognise each student's connection to the traditions of their College House. From 2024, each student will be gifted **ONE** House Tie. Each student will only be gifted a tie once and replacements cannot be purchased. The House Tie may be worn on Fridays only. A House Tie worn on any other day will be confiscated and not returned.

The College Uniform Shop is open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and at other times by appointment.



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