

Transcript

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Whispers Week 9, Term 3 2026

Hello everyone! It is hard to believe we are already at the end of Term 3! It is a season of celebration for many, and our Year 12 Class of 2026 have only a couple of weeks left of their formal schooling.

It is also an exciting new beginning for other. It gives me great pride to share with you our 2027 Student Executive Team. In announcing these impressive leaders, I want to acknowledge their courage in applying, and their strong desire to take on these significant leadership responsibilities, helping shape the culture of our College in the year ahead. Congratulations to each of them.

Our 2027 Leaders are as follows:

College Captains: Hugo Carson and Taylah Clark

SRC Co-Chairs: Olivia Omotosho and Sahra Hossain

Academic Portfolio: Isaiah Jayasooriya

Activate Portfolio: Nathan Hartelt

Community Engagement Portfolio: Georgia Skehan and Winnie Coomber

Performing Arts Portfolio: Pearce Panetta and Sienna Silverstein

Spirituality Portfolio: Cameron Angus

Synergy Portfolio: Aishpreet Kaur and Isaiah Koutsoulis

Be Heard Portfolio: Olivia Pisani

Wellbeing Portfolio: Spencer Roache

We will formally induct our new student leaders at Presentation Night on Tuesday 6 October. This year we are at our new venue, the Melbourne Town Hall. Students from Years 5 to 11 will be seated with their families as we come together to celebrate student achievement, recognise excellence and farewell our graduating Class of 2026.

I would like to reflect on a few highlights from another busy and rewarding term.

From 100 Days of Prep to Science Week, Book Week, and the Fathers' Day Stalls, Term 3 has been filled with wonderful opportunities for learning, creativity and connection.

Our Performing Arts students have enjoyed a fantastic term, with *Oliver!* and six Festival of Music events, including *Seussical KIDS*, showcasing the talent and dedication of our students and staff.

And what a way to finish the ACS Winter season, with eight Premierships from an impressive 21 Grand Final teams! Congratulations to all students, staff and coaches involved.

We also have students embracing wonderful opportunities for learning beyond the classroom, with a small group of Year 9 and 10 students currently in Galiwin'ku in the Northern Territory, and a large group of Year 11 students setting off this morning for their Adventure Tour of New Zealand.

Thank you to students, staff and families for all you have contributed this term.

I wish everyone a safe and restful holiday, with lovely Spring weather just around the corner, and I look forward to seeing you in Term 4.