

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Thursday, 22 November 2018

Dear Parents

The Hamilton Old Collegians' Association is an important part of our school's "connected community." Each year, the OCA not only recognise our senior leavers through a gift and luncheon for Year 12 students but also arrange a host of reunion activities and other events. In addition, the OCA sponsor the College Art Award and support several General Excellence Scholarships.

Members of the Old Collegians' Committee are concerned that, in the past, students who left the College prior to Year 12 may have overlooked Old Collegians' membership. Hence, as we approach our sesquicentennial celebrations, the OCA is keen to ensure all former students are recognised.

Consequently, in 2019, a one-off charge for Old Collegians' life membership will be applied at Years 7-12 and, in subsequent years, will be charged at entry to the Senior School. This charge will be levied as part of the school account issued to parents. It is felt that this change will help ensure that the College and those students who leave earlier remain in contact through the Old Collegians' Association.

As is currently the case, parents wishing to opt out of paying this charge are asked to contact Mrs Ann Sutherland in the Business Office. It will be possible for those who have opted out initially to pay for life membership of the Old Collegians' Association at a later stage.

We do hope you will wish to provide a means for your child(ren) to maintain a relationship with The Hamilton and Alexandra College long after they have graduated.

Yours sincerely,

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