

8 August 2022

Dear members of the De La Salle Malvern community,

Securing our long-term future

For many years, the College Board has been working together with our trustees, the De La Salle Brothers, to ensure we continue building on our proud 110-year history of academic excellence.

It is in this spirit we are pleased to advise that the College will soon be acquired by Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS), securing a strong future for our growing community at a time when enrolments continue to increase, particularly for Year 7 students.

This comes as the Brothers have been proactively considering their future obligations as an order, including caring for a number of ageing Brothers, continuing their mission abroad and their determination to ensure financial restitution for victims of historic abuse. We understand and share the importance of responding to these significant matters.

You may be aware that MACS was established by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli to govern and operate around 300 of Melbourne's Catholic schools. As a result, MACS brings considerable expertise and is the natural choice as the Brothers transition from their ownership role.

The College is pleased to have secured the support of MACS as we enter a new and exciting chapter that will see us work together to deliver a revitalised master plan.

Continuing as normal as De La Salle College

While this important step secures our future, the College will continue to operate on a business-as-usual basis with minimal change.

There will be no changes to staff, leadership, educational approach or the Lasallian charism that is our heritage.

Fees are expected to remain highly competitive compared with other Colleges in the area and there are no plans to change current tuition levels outside of normal yearly increases.

In line with all MACS schools, the College Board will be stepping into a new and ongoing advisory role and will be active in ensuring a smooth and minimal transition.

Looking forward

Over the coming weeks, representatives from MACS will be welcomed at the College for a parent and staff information evening. They will be keen to hear your thoughts and answer any questions. We look forward to having them join our community. More information on MACS can be found [here](#) for your interest in the interim.

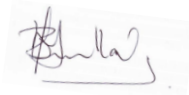
We pay tribute to the Brothers, who founded the College more than a century ago and have provided us with the charism that has been so central to who we are. We also thank them for acting in the College's long-term interests.

Finally, thank you for choosing De La Salle College to enable your sons to live, learn and lead. Together, we are enthusiastic about continuing our journey and embracing the many exciting years ahead as we thrive, prosper, and continue De La Salle's significant contribution in our community.

Sincerely and on behalf of,



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Principal, De La Salle College



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