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Dear Parents / Guardians,

Guilford Young College continues to provide a high quality senior secondary education experience for our students. The College is maintaining good enrolment numbers, well supported by an extensive curriculum covering academic and vocational education pathways.

The Head Start program in December was well attended, with many students finalising subject selection, meeting new friends and experiencing a "taste of Guilford Young College" in the classroom.

Discussions around the future strategic and master plans occurred during the year with a view to setting a pathway for further enhancements to College programs and facilities in future years. This includes:

- Expansion of the VET Construction area in Hobart Completed 2020
- Installation of a bus shed around the parking area in Hobart, allowing safer bus use and more efficient use of space when engaging in outdoor education programs – Completed 2020
- In 2021, works will commence for the establishment of an Arts Precinct, fitness Gym and VET Hospitality extension in Glenorchy as well as the completion of much needed outside courts (similar to those at Hobart) on that site.
- In 2021, consideration is to be given to Hobart and Glenorchy student learning hub areas with the intention that works commence in 2022.

Our commitment to providing a dynamic and engaging learning environment is supported by the constant imperative to ensure the provision of resources. As syllabus and training packages expand, so too does further requirement of specialist teaching, IT and capital resources.

The costs associated with this are also continually impacted by cost of living rises. We are also very much aware of the increasing costs of living for our families. Although fees do need to rise to meet operational costs, I am pleased to advise the increase for 2021 is a modest one (2%).

The annual charge for 2021 is \$5,685. There are no other levies or charges for tuition fees.

All accounts are forwarded by electronic means and **directed to the email address provided by you to the College**. If parents/guardians have a separate or particular email address for accounts please advise the College by emailing fees@gyc.tas.edu.au.

Accounts are billed in advance at the beginning of the year, for the entire year and should be paid within a month from issue. However, the College recognises the need for family budgeting and is happy to agree to monthly or fortnightly payments in equal instalments from February to November each year.

Sibling discounts will apply where applicable (if you have three or more children in Catholic Education). Parents/guardians who wish to claim a sibling discount or make an arrangement for equal monthly or fortnightly fee payments should complete one of the forms found at the end of this letter and forward it to the Business Office either in hard copy or email by 31 January 2021.

For those parents/guardians who wish to make payments through Centrepay this may be arranged through the Business Office. Parents/guardians who envisage difficulties with payment of fees, are encouraged to communicate with the Business Office before the commencement of Term 1 next year, by email to fees@gyc.tas.edu.au or by telephone 6238 4358.

If you already have an arrangement confirmed for 2021 that will be in place from the beginning of the year.

For families where a direct debit is in place already for a student transitioning to Year 12, unless agreed otherwise, this will be amended pro-rata so that the fees are collected within that arrangement. A new credit card authority is required each year if paying by credit card deductions.

Wishing you and your family every blessing this Christmas,

Yours faithfully,

S Brady

Mrs Sandra Brady Board Chair

## Attachments:

- Payment arrangements form
- Direct debit form
- Important Term 1 dates
- Booklist and ordering instructions
- Transport information Please note we are seeking expressions of interest for the Eastern Shore bus. These are due by 31 December if possible. **More interest is needed for this service to run in 2021.**
- Uniform requirements
- Perm-A-Pleat opening hours, appointment and ordering information
- Perm-A-Pleat price list
- BYOD information
- Counsellor brochure