



St Clare's College



27 October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Parent Nomination for placement in a Newman Selective Class for Year 7 2022

Context

Welcome to our school community here at St Clare's College, Waverley. Our school will be participating in Phase 4 of the Newman Expansion, an initiative that focuses on a systematic identification and selection process for students interested in being considered for a place in our Newman Selective classes. We would like to invite interested parents to complete the Parent Nomination form on behalf of their child in order to apply for a place in our 2022 Newman classes.

Nomination Process

If you choose to complete and submit the Parent Nomination form, your child will also sit the Newman Selective Higher Ability Assessment which has been designed by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER). This will be held in Term 1, 2021. Details regarding the test will be shared once your child's nomination has been submitted. Instructions on how to apply for a placement in the Newman Selective cohort are listed below;

1. Parents can complete the interactive PDF form online.
2. Alternatively, parents may wish to download the form, print it and complete it by hand
3. Follow the instructions as stated on the Parent Nomination form
4. Attach copies of supporting evidence to the nomination form (eg: ICAS Competition results)
5. Email the nomination form to enrolments@stclares.catholic.edu.au by Monday, 23 November 2020.

Our Catholic Primary feeder schools will provide us with your child's diagnostic assessment data, such as PAT Math and PAT Reading, which will support their nomination. There will be no need for parents to collect any information from their child's Catholic feeder Primary school teacher as this will be shared with the College via Compass.

If your child has been enrolled from a school outside of Sydney Catholic Schools, we recommend asking your child's Primary school teacher to provide you with any diagnostic assessment information they have gathered that is related to your child's educational development (eg: PAT Math results) and attach this information to the nomination form.

Each nomination for a placement in a Newman Selective Gifted Education Secondary class will be carefully considered by the Newman Selection Panel, even those without additional evidence.

If you have any questions in relation to the Newman Selective Gifted Education nomination process, please contact our Newman Facilitator, Annette Emms annette.emms@syd.catholic.edu.au at the College.

We look forward to working with you and your child in 2022.

Yours Sincerely

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