

The College sees fair dealing with separated parents as important. In the best interests of the child, and subject to any Court Order to the contrary, the College will take all reasonable steps to ensure that communication with separated parents is conducted in a sensitive and fair manner.

In meeting its obligations to students and parents, the College, while committed to the underlying philosophy of the Family Law Act, relies on the following principles:

- The education of a child is the primary responsibility of the child's parents;
- The College will proceed and act on the basis that each parent has equal rights and responsibilities in relation to the student and will rely on the authority of either parent in connection with matters concerning the student unless either:
 - the College is supplied with a court order or written authorisation signed by the Parent which provides otherwise or
 - Statutory declarations of an informal Carer which will apply for 12 months
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The College requests that a copy of any court orders in place concerning a student or her parents is provided to the College at the time of enrolment. If any orders are subsequently made by a Court during the period of a student's enrolment at the College, the College should be promptly provided with a copy of these orders. It is noted that these court orders will only be used by the College to ensure that the educational interests, safety and welfare of the student are properly addressed. Please note it is not the role or responsibility of the College to enforce the orders.

Information regarding family arrangements will be drawn from the Enrolment form. Any changes made during the year can be updated, with requests made in writing to the Principal.

Where new family arrangements arise during the year following separation, the new arrangements will be confirmed in writing and signed by both parents.

All parents will be provided with the following information:

Access to the Parent Access Module (PAM) is via a password. PAM presents a broad range of information about what is happening at the College.

This publication lists all important events for the year. Parents can use it to stay abreast of College activities and, by contacting their child's pastoral or Year Level Coordinator, ahead of time, can arrange appointments/visits to the College on occasions such as Parent/Teacher/Student Inter

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MEL-OLMC PRIVACY Policy 2021
OLMC Child Safety Policy 2022
Australian Privacy Principles 2018
Ministerial Order 1359

