



**ST CHARLES COLLEGE**  
S O U T H A F R I C A

25 January 2021

Dear Parents

## **COMMENCEMENT OF SCHOOL AND ADJUSTMENT OF THE 2021 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

I am pleased to confirm that St Charles College will start school with face-to-face learning for boys from Grade 000 to Grade 12, on Monday 1 February. As previously indicated, boarders will return on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> January.

We are committed to delivering a full year of teaching and learning and have accordingly made some adjustments to the calendar for 2021. We trust that communicating these changes as early as possible will assist in your planning.

### **Cancellation of half term in term 1**

We have taken the logical decision to cancel the exeat weekend in the first term. There will now be normal school days on Friday and Monday, but no activities will be scheduled for the Saturday or Sunday.

### **Saturday School for the Senior School in term 1**

We will run Saturday school for the first two weekends of the term for the Senior School boys. This will run from 7:30am to 1pm on these two Saturdays (6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of February).

### **Term 2, 3 and 4 have been adjusted to start one day earlier**

We will start school on the Monday of each school term this year, with boarders returning on the Sunday before lessons start.

### **Extension of the year by one week**

The end of the school year will move to Thursday 9 December. This one-week adjustment to the Academic calendar will become a permanent feature going forward.

The prevailing situation has been the cause of much anxiety for all of us, but we subscribe to the view that, in the main, the best place for young people to be is at school in a controlled environment. We have been working hard to make sure that 2021 will be a year of significant growth for all of our boys and look forward to welcoming them back for the start of the Academic year.

Yours faithfully

Allen van Blerk  
PRINCIPAL