



1 May 2024

Dear Parents & Caregivers

Re: Secondary School at Blackfriars

As we commence Term 2 2024, I am aware that families with children in their final years of Primary School will be considering options for secondary school. With this in mind, I invite you and your son to remain in the caring and supportive environment of a Catholic school community by enrolling at Blackfriars Priory School.

Blackfriars has been engaged in boys' education since 1953, welcoming boys from Catholic primary schools, such as yours, for multiple generations.

Our aim is to work with you to ensure the continuity of a Catholic Education for your son. We hope that by establishing this partnership, you and your son can confidently remain members of your current Catholic primary school community until he completes Year 6, knowing that there is a guaranteed place for him at Blackfriars in Year 7.

The following timeline will guide you through our enrolment process:

1. Submit an **Application for Enrolment** before the end of May of Year 5 (i.e. two years before your son is due to start Year 7).
2. Attend an **Enrolment Meeting** with me or another member of our Educational Leadership Team in June of Year 5 to discuss all aspects of your application. Our Registrar will contact you to arrange this meeting.
3. Following the Enrolment Meeting, when offered a placement, complete the necessary acceptance forms and return them to Blackfriars before the start of Term 3 (i.e. 18-months prior to your son starting Year 7).

FOR CURRENT YEAR 6 STUDENTS

If your son is currently in Year 6 and you have not yet applied for Year 7 at Blackfriars in 2025, please contact us immediately as limited places are still available.

Throughout the year prior to commencing Year 7 at Blackfriars, there are many opportunities for you and your son to visit the school and participate in our formal transition program.



PRINCIPAL'S TOURS

If you would like to visit Blackfriars, I warmly invite you to join me for a Principal's Tour this month on either Saturday 11 May at 10am or Thursday 30 May at 9am.

Further tours are available throughout the year, typically conducted on the last Thursday of each month during school terms. In the summer terms, we offer the convenience of evening (6pm) as well as morning (9am) tours. Saturday morning tours are conducted as part of Catholic Education Week (May) and Catholic Schools Open Week (August).

Dates and a booking form for Principal's Tours can be found on our website at blackfriars.sa.edu/enrol/visit. If the scheduled tour dates in May are not convenient and you would like to visit Blackfriars before the end of the month, please contact our Registrar who can arrange a personal tour for you and your family.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Blackfriars is committed to providing a well-rounded education: academically, socially, emotionally, physically, and spiritually. Our scholarship program reflects this with a range of scholarships available that relate to these qualities either individually or in combination.

For details of the various scholarships available, including selection criteria, application guidelines and deadlines, please visit blackfriars.sa.edu.au/enrol/scholarships

If the option of a Catholic secondary education at Blackfriars causes you any financial concern, please do not hesitate to continue the application process. I welcome the opportunity to meet with you and explore how our school community can support our shared mission for your son to continue his learning and spiritual journey at a Catholic secondary school.

To begin your son's application process today, please visit blackfriars.sa.edu.au/enrol or contact our Registrar, Linda Gavranic, on 8169 3954.

I sincerely look forward to introducing your family to the Blackfriars community.

David Ruggiero
Principal