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Dear Parents

The Government has announced a \$730 million education infrastructure package for Victoria. The 2015 and 2016 State Budget provides funding to refurbish and renovate schools, deliver brand-new relocatable classrooms and construct new schools. Sandringham College was pleased to see confirmation of a Government announcement of \$2 million funding for Sandringham College. It's also noted that an amount of \$6.5 million was announced for the creation of a new stand-alone Year 7 – 12 secondary school at the current Beaumaris Campus of Sandringham College.

In anticipation of the Department's planning for the new Beaumaris High School, Sandringham College has been working with the Department of Education and Training to facilitate the Government's commitment to demerge its Beaumaris Campus. The Department has informed us that it will be setting up a team to work closely with the Beaumaris community and stakeholders, including Sandringham College and the MCC, to plan for the new school. Sandringham College also notes information provided by the Department to confirm that the Minister for Education recently met with representatives of the Melbourne Cricket Club (MCC) to discuss the possibility of first-class sporting facilities being created at the Beaumaris site by the MCC Foundation as the new school development proceeds.

Sandringham College is working with the Department to progress the demerger of Sandringham College's Beaumaris campus, including the consideration of how this process can help facilitate planning for the new Beaumaris High School. In that context, the Department and Sandringham College have determined that the Beaumaris campus will not be taking enrolments for 2016. All students who are currently based at the Beaumaris campus will, at the end this year, transfer to Sandringham College's 7-10 Campus, in Bluff Road. Year 7 students enrolling at Sandringham College in 2016 will be welcomed at our Sandringham 7-10 Campus.

Sandringham College looks forward to working with the Department and the Government to support local families during the demerger process, and through the exciting development of the Beaumaris High school.

Stephen Peacock  
Sandringham College School Council President