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GOOD NEWS & NEW BEGINNINGS AFTER TRAGEDY

During the February floods St Margaret Mary's College Samaritan Campus was devastated. The College's music room and theatre were swamped in the deluge. The music block was so badly damaged it had to be demolished and is currently being totally rebuilt bigger and better than ever.

Out of this devastation good fortune has prevailed. A time capsule buried by the Year 9 History students in 1988, has finally been recovered. Unfortunately, due to building works since 1988 the time capsule had been forgotten. During the College's 50th anniversary celebrations it was discovered that the time capsule was under concrete foundations.

When our builders were preparing the new building site (after recent demolition work), they unearthed the 1988 time capsule. The 1988 time capsule was the idea of Rachel Pucko, a Year 9 History student, who thought it would be an excellent idea for the College to be part of 1988 Australian Bi-Centennial celebrations, by preserving some of the College's history and sentimental items. Year 9 History teacher Mrs Ann Gibbon with the help from the College groundsman organised the capsule and its burial.

Inside the time capsule were hand written letters from the Year 9 History students, magazines, newspapers, devices and sentimental items. The contents have brought many smiles and laughter from our current SMMC students. Recently, Mrs Linda Robertson (nee Jacques) was reunited with her 1988 school uniform.



Our new Music Centre on our Samaritan Campus will be ready for the commencement of the new 2020 school year. Our Music Centre will be a hub for our instrumental and vocal students, music ensembles and choir. Break out rooms as well as purpose built classrooms will allow our students to harness their creative genius. A renovated courtyard area will allow our students to meet in a beautiful setting which will take in the newly renovated theatre space. We are very excited that expected completion is for the start of our new school year 2020.

Later in 2020 SMMC hopes to create and re-bury a new time capsule.

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