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MARS MISSION EXCURSION

Dear Parent/Caregivers,

Charles Campbell College is leading an innovative STEM program and continuously looking for opportunities to further support and develop students' potential in the field of STEM.

Charles Campbell College has won a $1000 grant from the Andy Thomas Space Foundation to run the project: ***Mars Odyssey and Beyond***. As part of the project, a group of students representing the Year 8 cohort will visit Hamilton Secondary College Space School to undertake a 'Full Mars mission'.

This will enable students in the Andy Thomas Space Foundation Mars Challenge to take part in a Full Mars Mission where students will be both Astronauts on the Surface or in Mission Control. They will collect data on the Mars surface, and see how the data is received and processed through Mission Control.

Arrangements:

- **Date:** Wednesday, 23 September 2026
- **Where:** Hamilton Secondary College
- **Departure:** Students are to meet in the **Resource Centre quadrangle at 08:30am**
- **Return:** 3:10pm
- **Transport**: Private bus
- **There is no cost for students.**
- Students are required to bring a packed lunch along with a drink, as there may not be an opportunity to purchase food/drinks.
- Students are expected to wear the **correct school uniform** and behave in a way that reflects our school values.

As part of the management process, it is essential that we have current consent information and require the EdSmart consent form to be completed by **Monday, 14 September 2026**.

If you have any questions, please contact me at luigi.pilla203@schools.sa.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,

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