

## STEPPING UP

Year 8 Father-Son Night Wednesday 8 March 2023 O.S. Adams Centre (Gym) 6.45pm for a 7.00pm Start (finish by 9.15pm)

St Joseph's College is delighted to offer you an opportunity to experience a lifetime memory with your son at the annual 'Father and Son' Night.

This innovative single evening program is an event we have planned especially for our Year 8 students and their fathers (or male mentors). We think that this is a great time to bring you together.





# This rare opportunity will stay with you forever.

Media attention often feasts on the reality that some famous sportsmen and celebrities fall short of being good 'role-models' to our boys but we are confident that the best role-models are much closer to home. 'Stepping Up' taps the very best resources in our own school community – the dads (or grandfathers, older brothers or uncles) of our boys. Be part of this innovative single evening program that gives a signpost to each boy about the best ways he can 'step up' to be a good man.

#### Testimonials -What the dads and mentors say

"Brilliant opportunity to do something we wouldn't ordinarily do - talk." John S. (Warwick School, UK)

"Shows we aren't alone, we share common issues and problems amongst this age group. Gave me ideas on things I could do better." Peter H. (Iona College, Brisbane)

"Really good to chat to other kids the same age and get their opinions. An education."

Glenn H. (CBC Adelaide)

"Great initiative to be more involved in the school and to share a unique experience with my son." Cam B. (St Joseph's College)

#### Testimonials -What the boys say

"Very meaningful messages and ideas for future life. I really enjoyed this overall and I am glad I came." Shey S. (Loughborough Boys, UK)

"It was good to have a chat with dad since a lot of the time he's at work. Good that I got a chance to talk to him." Harrison L. (St Joseph's College)

"Very good bonding experience with my dad, helped form a connection."

Hugh T. (Marcellin College, Melbourne)

"Amazing. It was really nice and something I have never done!"

Hamish K. (Hutchins School, Hobart)

We will be bringing
Bill Jennings.

to our school to facilitate this unique experience for you. Bill is the creator and founder of 'Time & Space'

(www.time-space.com.au), a service he has developed to give people just that – 'time and space' for parents and their children to share important moments together in a school community setting. This session provides opportunities that include carefully guided interactions with other dads and their boys.

Fathers will emerge from the night reassured and impressed

by the way our students are able to speak up and share insights about their life.

Be assured that the night is fun too! It is full of activities and conversations that will make us smile.





### To register please:

Visit the link http://bit.ly/SJCG823

This helps with our activity planning for the session. This session is exclusive to Year 8.

If you have any other enquiries, please contact Director of Identity Mary Malone marym@sjc.vic.edu.au

We know that families come in all shapes and sizes and not all fathers can attend an evening such as this. A male mentor such as a grandfather, uncle or family friend is welcome to attend.



