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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Changes to After-School Supervision – Effective 2025

As you are aware, the safety of our students and staff is the highest priority for our school. Over the last few years, we have implemented a practice of staff supervision of the road crossings and car parks. I am writing to advise you of changes to the after-school supervision arrangements at Centenary Heights State High School that will take effect from the beginning of 2025.

Following a comprehensive review of the current after-school supervision duties undertaken by teaching staff – including supervising students crossing South Street and at Southtown Shopping Centre – it has been identified that these activities do not align with the Department of Education's industrial and workplace health and safety obligations. As a result, these supervision duties will cease at the end of this year (2024).

While our school values its strong relationship with the local community and businesses, this change reflects our responsibility to ensure that the tasks staff undertake align with departmental guidelines. We will continue to maintain open communication with our neighbours and encourage positive connections between our school and the wider community.

We ask for your support in ensuring students are aware of their responsibilities when traveling to and from school. Please remind your child(ren) about:

- **Road safety rules**, including the importance of using designated crossings and being mindful of traffic.
- **Respectful and responsible behaviour** in public places, including when visiting local businesses.

Students will also engage in additional road safety information from the end of 2024, which will continue into 2025 organised by the school. The local Queensland Police Service (QPS) have been made aware of these changes and the P&C has been informed of these changes from earlier this year. School staff will undertake bus supervision duties at the designated bus stops on Ramsay Street and for Term 1, staff will be rostered at the school gates on South Street and Catto Street to assist with this change in routine.

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These reminders are essential in reinforcing our school's values of **Safety, Respect, and Learning** beyond the school grounds.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we implement these necessary changes. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Kind regards,

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