



14th August 2025

Subject: Commitment to Safety at St Patrick's, Swansea

Dear Parents and Carers

You may be aware that news has been shared via a local media outlet and a letter drop about the upcoming opening of the St Vincent de Paul Society NSW's new Supported Temporary Accommodation Service for Women in Swansea in October.

This facility, located on the former Tenison Residential Aged Care site, will provide safe, supported accommodation for women experiencing or at risk of homelessness, including women over 55 years, First Nations women over 50 years, women on a disability support pension, and any dependents. The service will be operated by St Vincent de Paul Society, under a best-practice model, staffed seven days a week, with a focus on safety, stability and personalised care.

While the service is designed to provide safety for its residents, I want to reassure our families that the safety, wellbeing, and privacy of our students remains our highest priority. We are currently working with the St Vincent de Paul team to ensure that student privacy is maintained and our existing security measures complement those they are putting in place.

We will continue to monitor and review our arrangements to ensure our school remains a safe and welcoming place for all.

I value your trust and support as we work together to ensure the best for our students and our school community.

If you have any questions or concerns, please refer to the attached FAQs document from St Vincent de Paul. You're also welcome to contact me directly or reach out to St Vincent de Paul via email at SwanseaSTA@vinnies.org.au.

Yours sincerely

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