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Hello,

My name is Marcus Missio-Spiteri, and I am one of the School Counsellors here at St Edward's. I am writing to you with much excitement in being able to introduce to you our dad's group *Male Connect*. This group focuses on Year 7 students and their fathers, father figures and significant male role models.

The purpose of *Male Connect* is to involve fathers, father figures and significant male role models from the school community to work with our students and become positive mentors, not only to their own child, but others as well. There is an increasing amount of research that shows initiatives like *Male Connect*, "**recognises the importance of school partnerships with families**". The research also shows that "**by specifically targeting fathers, schools will see significant additional benefits for the children and for the school as a whole**" and "**the Connection between fathers and their children inevitably becomes stronger**".

So, we cordially invite all fathers, father figures and significant male role models to join St Edward's *Male Connect* on Friday 23rd February 2024 for a pizza and paper plane evening.

Location: St Edward's College ERC

Date: 23rd February

Time: 6:00pm -8:00pm

Please see flyer (attached) which includes the **Paper Planes and Pizza** online RSVP link.

It would be great to see you all. We sincerely look forward to meeting you and helping build stronger communities and relationships.

With gratitude

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