Great neatness is required of the Pupils at all times. It is, therefore, important that on their return after each vacation their outfit should be complete. The necessary repairs to clothes and boots are done at the College at reasonable rates.

Special stress is also laid on the development, in all the Students, of the manners of perfect gentlemen, and politeness is looked upon as a very important part of the general training.

The Dining Hall is under the particular supervision of the Vice-President of the College, who always personally superintends the meals. Constant care is taken to teach the Pupils to conduct themselves in a becoming and gentlemanly manner at table.

As the fare is wholesome, varied, and abundant, leave will not easily be given for special diet, except in the case of Boys of frail health. In all such cases the directions of the Parents and the doctor will be carefully carried out at a reasonable charge.

The Pupils will not be permitted to have any books or publications that have not been approved of by the Prefect of Studies.

The younger Boys have their Dormitories, Play Rooms, Libraries, and Play Ground apart from the Seniors; and an experienced Matron attends to the wants of the very young Pupils.
Mental Training.

The aim of the Jesuit Fathers in their system of education is not only to prepare young men for professional and commercial pursuits, but to afford a liberal education by carefully developing and training the mind.

The Course of Instruction is that which is usually adopted in Colleges, but modified by the Ratio Studiorum of the Jesuit Fathers—a system of education which has stood the test of three centuries, and has been eulogised by some of the highest intellects of Europe from Bacon downwards.

To secure successful teaching, the classes are carefully graduated, especial care being taken to place each Boy in the class for which he is fitted.

The ordinary College Course embraces English in all its branches, the Greek, Latin, and French Languages and Literatures, Ancient and Modern History, Mathematics, Physics, and Chemistry.

The class matter in the higher schools is so arranged as to include the subjects required for the University Public Examinations. But, beyond the modification which this arrangement involves, the general order of the studies must be adhered to; nor will the Superiors, under ordinary circumstances, allow a Pupil to set aside any of the subjects comprised in the ordinary curriculum in order to limit his application to easier subjects. Such a course, they are convinced, though it may render a "pass" less difficult, would be a serious injury to the Boy's educational progress, as well as to the general working of the schools.
In all the classes special stress is laid on English Composition, the correct pronunciation of the English Language, Spelling, Arithmetic, and Handwriting.

The German and Italian Languages are taught, without extra expense, when a sufficient number of Pupils to form a class are desirous to learn them.

The Prefect of Studies frequently visits the different schools to ascertain the progress made by each Pupil. The more effectually to test the school work and to train the Pupils to habits of accurately expressing their thoughts, written examinations are frequently held.

A public oral examination of one of the Classes is held once a week by the Prefect of Studies in presence of the College staff.

To avoid the danger of overstraining the mind, the order of time is so arranged that the Pupils are never engaged in class or study for more than two hours without a break.

Outside the ordinary class hours, pupils who are preparing for Public Examinations, or who are backward in some subjects, receive private instruction.
Examinations.

Competitive Examinations are held in every class at Midwinter and Midsummer, reports of which are forwarded to Parents and Guardians. At the Midsummer Examinations, Prizes are distributed to the Students who have particularly distinguished themselves in the different class subjects; but no Pupil will be awarded a prize in any subject in which he fails to obtain honour marks.

To encourage industry and foster individual aptitude for particular branches of study, annual prizes are given for voluntary extra work appointed by the Prefect of Studies. These prizes, however, will not be awarded to any Boy who does not pass a satisfactory examination in his ordinary class work.

Libraries.

The old saying that "Reading maketh a full man," is fully recognised by the College authorities, and a taste for wholesome literature is as much as possible encouraged among the Students. Well-appointed Libraries, with carefully selected books, are open every day at certain hours to the Students. Librarians are appointed from the Pupils, and it is their duty to see that silence is observed during Library hours, and that the books are returned in good condition to their proper places.

Debating Societies.

In order to enable the Students to speak with ease and fluency on useful and interesting subjects, there are two Debating Societies—one for the Senior and one for the Junior Boys. The meetings take place regularly, under the presidency of one of the Fathers, who superintends the selection of the subjects and the order of the debate. From time to time Debates give place to Concerts or Dramatic Entertainments.
The Accomplishments.

Music, Singing, Drawing, Dancing, Fencing are taught by Visiting Masters, at reasonable Fees. But no Boy is allowed to take up any such Extra without express permission from his Parents or Guardians.

Physical Training.

As the College authorities consider it injurious to a Boy's health and character to hold aloof from the Games, all Pupils are enrolled as members of the various Clubs, and the subscriptions are charged in the Account.
St. Francis Xavier's College.

The out-door games are warmly encouraged, not only because they contribute to the health of the Students and foster the spirit of manliness and self-reliance, but also because they are found to be direct and valuable aids to the maintenance of strict discipline and mental work.

The various Clubs are managed by Committees of Students under the direction of a Master as President. At all Committee Meetings the President or some one delegated by him will take the chair, and without his sanction no Meeting may be called, or notices posted up.

The College colours are cardinal and black.

The Cricket Oval has been constructed on the most approved lines at a cost of £700, and is admittedly one of the best private grounds around Melbourne. An experienced coach visits regularly during the cricket season.
St. Francis Xavier's College.

To sustain interest in the out-door games, Cricket and Football matches are frequently arranged with other Colleges, and with respectable clubs from the city and suburbs.

Towards the end of October the Annual Athletic Sports are held on the College Grounds.

College Garden, towards Doncaster.
St. Francis Xavier's College.

A Cycling Track encircles the Cricket Oval.

There is a double asphalted Tennis Court and a large Gymnasium well appointed with the most improved apparatus. A professional instructor gives lessons twice a week.

Each Division is supplied with Billiard Table, Draughts, Chess, and other Indoor Games.

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Outfit.

6 day shirts
3 night shirts, or pyjamas
12 collars
12 pairs of socks or stockings
12 handkerchiefs
6 neckties
3 pairs of strong boots
2 pairs of house shoes
2 suits white cricket flannel (well shrunk), sash and hat band in college colours—cardinal and black.

Toilet requisites, such as small looking glass, brushes and combs.

All articles must be DISTINCTLY marked with the Pupil's name.

Two lists of articles should be brought, one of which should be kept by the boy, and the other handed to the Matron. The same should be done after vacation.

The trunk, or portmanteau, should bear the owner's name in full.
Fees.

Resident Boarders.

Entrance Fee (to be paid only once) - - 2 Guineas
Pension, per term in advance—
  Pupils over 12 years - - - - 15 "
  Pupils under 12 years - - - - 12½ "

(Reduction of 10 per cent. for Brothers).

N.B.—The Pension covers not only the ordinary curriculum of the College, but also Chemistry, Physiology, Book-keeping, and Shorthand.

No extra charge is made for Pupils who remain at the College during Midwinter Holidays.

A charge of One Guinea per term is made for Washing, Drill, Gymnastics, Cricket, Football, Tennis, Billiards, Libraries, and Stationery.

Books and Medical Attendance as required.

Day Scholars.

University and Civil Service Classes—
  Per Term - - - - 4 Guineas in advance
Junior Classes - - - - 3 "
Gymnastics, Games, &c. - - - Half-guinea "
Day Boarders - - - from 6 Guineas "
Books, &c., as required.
EXTRAS.

The following Extras are optional, and Pupils will not be allowed to take them up without express leave from Parents or Guardians:

- **Music**—Piano or Violin—per term from 2 Guineas.
- **Drawing, Painting**—per term, 1½ guineas.

The SCHOLASTIC YEAR begins early in February, and terminates about the middle of December. It is divided into four Terms, which begin 5th February, 25th April, 25th July, and 5th October.

**R.B.**—New Pupils are Charged only from Date of Entrance.

All Fees are charged at beginning of Term, and must be paid in advance. Books and Sundries are charged at end of Term.

Before removing a Pupil a Term's notice must be given, or Half a Term's pension paid.

**TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS.**

Parents or Guardians intending to place their sons or wards at this Institution are cordially invited to visit THE COLLEGE and judge for themselves of the provisions made for the advancement and comfort of the students. It will at all times be a pleasure to the Jesuit Fathers to show them, or other visitors, over the COLLEGE and grounds.