



Christ Church
Grammar School

Building good men

Principal's Report

November 2018

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**Old Boys' Association
Parents' Association**

Strategic Plan 2020 to 2024

We have engaged Ak Sabbagh (Beckon Business) to facilitate the start of the next Strategic Plan. A draft will be prepared for an Executive and Council planning session next year.

Renewal of School registration

The School is currently in the process of applying for the renewal of our registration. We have nominated 26 to 27 March 2019 as the preferred dates for the visit by the Department of Education. Due to new requirements and standards, a review of all policies, procedures and guidelines is currently being undertaken.

Staffing

Appointments

- Lorene Cranenburgh: Canteen Assistant
- Marjorie DeCaux: Drama Costume Designer
- Jeanette Fogarty: Mathematics Teacher
- Laura Galati Rando: Prep School Teacher
- Steven Males: Head of Preparatory School
- Stacey McKenzie: Prep School Teacher
- Travis Nederpelt: Mathematics Teacher
- Avri Pocock: Director of Sailing (Internal)
- Kendal Price: Prep School Teacher
- Jay Pyefinch: Director of Studies/Deputy Head of the Prep School (Internal)
- Asha Rojahn: Prep School Teacher
- Vinko Shain: Head of Languages
- Laura Van Rijn: Music Teacher
- Georgia Watson: Prep School Teacher

Resignations

- Shannon Ahsing: IT Helpdesk
- Didi Caddy: Prep School Teacher
- Christopher Draber: Music Teacher

Head of Preparatory School

As shared in my email to Council on 12 September 2018, Dr Steven Males has been appointed as the Head of Preparatory School. Steven is currently the Head of the Junior School at Aquinas College and has held various leadership and teaching positions during his time at the College, including Acting Deputy Headmaster.

Simon (new Head of Senior School/Deputy Principal) and Steven have begun their transition into Christ Church with visits and meetings to the School. Both are in regular contact with staff and are scheduled to be in the office on 7 January 2019.

110th birthday

The School will celebrate its 110th birthday in 2020. This milestone will be celebrated in a low-key manner.

Opening of the Prep School

The new Prep School will be officially opened on 6 February 2019. This event will coincide with the Prep School Parent Information Evening.

Roger Bayly

Roger Bayly has been accepted as an Honorary Old Boy Life Member of the Old Boys' Association in recognition of his exceptional efforts at the School since 1988. President of the OBA, Tom Nattrass, praised Roger for his unwavering support of students and old boys over the years and his dedication to building a strong school community. Life members of the OBA will join Roger at the forthcoming annual Sundowner to celebrate this special announcement.

Federal funding arrangements

The Prime Minister, the Hon Scott Morrison, has announced the Government's funding package for non-government schools out to 2029. The federal recurrent funding will be linked to parental income from 2020. Arrangements for 2018 will carry over into 2019. There is substantial additional funding for the sector, covering transitional arrangements for those schools which will receive less funding and, for those schools which will be eligible for more funding, to move to higher funding levels by 2023.

Approval of registration

As confirmed in my email to Council on 21 September 2018, the School's registration with the Department of Education to include Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten has been approved.

Labor pledges \$14bn for public schools

Labor has promised to deliver the biggest investment in public schools in Australian history if it is elected next year. The Opposition's \$14bn, 10-year education plan will see more than 13,000 extra teachers flow into Australia's public schools, which have been struggling with resource shortages and burgeoning enrolments. The additional funding will be conditional on the states and territories signing up to a national plan "to improve schools with clear and ambitious goals and targets". It is also expected that schools put the money towards improving student outcomes in literacy, numeracy and science, as well as professional development for teachers. Labor says the extra money will ensure public schools can give students more individual attention, and more help with the basics such as reading, writing, maths, and science.