

ALUMNI COMMUNITY NEWS - HOUSE ANNOUNCEMENT

Throughout the course of the current Strategic Plan, the College has been considering how our new curriculum commencing in 2022 might provide opportunities to enhance our Pastoral Care Program. As we seek to develop extraordinary learners, we understand that spiritual, social and emotional wellbeing must underpin academic success.

We know that relationships and student care must remain at the very centre of everything we do. Therefore, in exploring various options in how best to support the holistic development of our students we intentionally have sought to prioritise the development of meaningful relationships so that all students can feel connected, valued and included.

One central initiative being introduced in 2022 to support student care is the restructuring of our House system. As such the College will be moving to the following 8 House structure from 2022 across K-12:

1. Andrews
2. Darling
3. Hassall
4. Johnson
5. Langdon
6. Robinson
7. Warren
8. White

You may notice that this list represents the original 8 Houses first identified at the College in 1993. In returning to the original Houses, we have sought to preserve the rich tradition inherent in the foundational House structure.

We know that many of our Alumni have rich memories of their time at the College within the House structure and we have enjoyed listening to the competitive 'banter' at many Alumni gatherings. We understand that for some, this change might be disappointing given the many fond memories of time spent in House activities. However, we believe these changes will best enable the College to provide even more targeted care for our students; the same care hopefully you enjoyed in your years at the College.

One exciting benefit of our move to 8 Houses will be the uniformity that this change brings across the College. Presently our 16 House structure does not necessarily facilitate simple interactions across the College nor any sense of continuity from K-12. We are looking forward to the many opportunities this new House system will deliver such as the ability to have K-12 House days where students from primary can connect with students in their corresponding House in secondary.



While COVID-19 has presented numerous challenges for all of us, we do look forward to welcoming Alumni to the College in 2021 and can't wait to host the classes of 2010 and 2011 for their 10 Year Reunions and the classes of 2000 and 2001 for their 20 Year Reunions.

Please do keep us updated with any changes in your lives, we would love to hear from you as enduring members of our community.

God bless

Dr Scott Marsh