

Statement from the new Board Chair

I am pleased to have accepted an invitation from the Board of Trustees to act as the Board's Chair for the next few critical months as we make further progress on addressing the significant issues that face the school community.

I will be working closely with the Limited Statutory Manager, Madeleine Hawkesby, to ensure that the Board functions as a cohesive and effective governing body, acting in the best interests of all. My focus is very much on implementing the actions that have been agreed to ensure that all students of the College will experience a high-quality education that will fit them for life beyond school.

We all know that the school faces a number of challenges, but we can build from a strong platform of student success and community support. I'm confident that, with goodwill and with the strong involvement of all in the school community, we can indeed secure a bright future for the school and its students.

I've been meeting this week with Dean Sheppard, our Acting Principal. Dean has a clear understanding of his key leadership role and the Board is expecting the clear commitment of all staff to the action plans that are being finalised. I thank the staff for the fine work that has been done so far this year in the face of some daunting challenges.

Madeleine, Dean, and I will continue to keep you well-informed through the School's regular newsletter. Please know that all members of the Board of Trustees are fully committed to the ongoing development of the school. The Board meets next at 6.00pm on 25th August. Minutes of Board meetings are always available on the school's website.

Dr Ian W Hall
Chair, Board of Trustees