



ST. PHILIP'S COLLEGE

Rev Haloti Kailahi
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Dear Haloti,

'To be a world class school community' is the St Philip's College Vision. Not only does this cover our local day students and boarding students, it also embraces those students who visit us from overseas on exchange. The exposure each group receives from meeting the other, has a wider and greater impact than can be seen. Life-long friendships develop, a love for our region and the NT is born and a greater appreciation for one's home is discovered.

We all love a birthday celebration and 2019 has given us the opportunity to come together to celebrate 30 years as a day school! Celebrations culminated with a huge weekend of events on the 15, 16 & 17 March. The St Philip's College History Book *The Right Amount of Crazy* was launched on the evening of the 15th with hundreds of locals and interstate guests attending. The next day we had another book launch at our local book store, and that evening we staged the 30th anniversary *Baby Boomers* for the local community which was a resounding success. We finished on the Sunday with a special Chapel Service to acknowledge these milestones.

This year has also seen the College's profile amplified through state and territory history book launches. These have increased people's knowledge about what we are achieving here in Central Australia, and they have also rekindled many old and dear friendships between members of our College community and communities all around the country.

With proposed large projects about to commence in Central Australia, the College has also been approached by some of these organisations so they can highlight the outstanding educational opportunities we offer here in Alice Springs.

St Philip's is an integral piece of the mosaic that is Alice Springs. Our students participate in Community Service, our staff and students are active members of the many different social, sporting and cultural groups within the town, and we as





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a College offer our facilities to organisations who may need assistance at different times.

Every year the College hosts different events for the town and neighbouring communities to enjoy. But most importantly we adhere to our College founder Rev Dr Fred McKay's vision that a quality education should be available to any child irrespective of distance. Maintaining and adopting innovative pedagogy to achieve contemporary curriculum outcomes is something our staff continually aspire.

Distance from a major capital city was once considered an impediment for learning, but technology now allows our students to tap into multiple learning platforms. Our students' exposure to amazing opportunities also equips them to flourish, contribute and care in a rapidly changing world. Mix that with our Values: Respect - Compassion - Integrity - Persistence - Responsibility – Accountability and we feel we are preparing them for life's challenges ahead.

St Philip's College is proud of our Uniting Church foundation. Our Christian values are echoed throughout the College, from the Board room, to our assemblies, to our classrooms at all times respecting the multicultural demographic of our community.

St Philip's College staff and students always contribute above and beyond and 2019 is again no exception. With our extraordinarily dedicated team of staff and students, as well as the contribution of Board members and our Principal's leadership we are blessed with a wonderful and extraordinarily special community. 'World Class' – I say.

Sincerely,

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