

## ST IGNATIUS BOARDTALK

December 2015

## **Board changes**

At last week's Board meeting we had a change in the Board that it is important to let our community know about.

Jo Humphrey has resigned from her role as Chair on the Board after many years of great service. Jo joined the Board in 2012 when we were working very closely with the Diocese to address pressure on our roll and a lack of learning spaces, and her skills have been invaluable during the planning and building of the St Mary Mackillop block. Jo has two children at St Ignatius and her family are now moving to Wellington. We wish Jo, Matt, Alex & Emily all the very best and we thank Jo for all the time and effort she has put in over the years and the commitment and support she has shown.

As a result of Jo's resignation, we advise that Owen Hicks was elected Chair at last week's Board meeting. Owen is a Chartered Accountant who joined the Board in 2014. With his commercial background and an open enquiring approach, Owen is comfortable with the many facets of the Board's role as employer, its responsibility for setting the school's strategic direction, and ensuring that the school provides a safe environment and quality Catholic education for all its students.

As Jo's role with the Board was co-opted, there will not be any bi-election.

## Open Board position

We would however like to take this opportunity to remind our community that we are still seeking to appoint a Bishop's Representative on the Board. If you are a baptised, committed Catholic actively involved in either St Heliers or Glendowie Parish and you are interested in joining the Board of Trustees, then please let us know. The position is appointed by the Parish Priest and Principal.