



15 September 2021

Announcement to St John Paul II Catholic College Community

Dear Parents, Carers and Staff

I write to you today to share the news that St John Paul II Catholic College Schofields and Nirimba Fields Principal Jim Fanning has accepted my invitation to be the new Principal of Penola Catholic College Emu Plains. At the same time, it is my pleasure to advise that Angela Hay will be the new Principal of your school.

Jim has served the community of St John Paul II Catholic College with great merit since 1999. During his time at the school, there have been many significant changes including a new name for the College, previously known as Terra Sancta College. After joining the school as an Assistant Principal, Jim later took on a Campus Principal role, followed by a Cooperating Principal role, and served as the sole Principal from 2016. His leadership has been important in developing strong partnerships with other education providers across the Nirimba education precinct.

Angela Hay has been the Principal of St Patrick's Marist College Dundas since 2014. Angela's strong focus on learning has led to significantly improved student outcomes. She has also given priority to the faith development of the community by promoting ongoing opportunities to integrate mission and wellbeing. Before joining the St Patrick's Marist College team, Angela was the Assistant Principal at St Andrew's College Marayong and previously worked at Gilroy Catholic College Castle Hill.

Both Jim and Angela consistently demonstrate sound judgement, deep faith and a strong commitment to social justice. Though they will be missed by their current schools, I know that they are looking forward to the opportunity to make a contribution to the College communities that they will join at the beginning of Term 1, 2022.

I wish to express my deep thanks to Father Oliver Aro MSP for his support and advice, and for his pastoral leadership. I know that the community will be keen to acknowledge Jim's outstanding service in the months ahead.

Thank you for placing your faith and trust in our Catholic school.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G B Whitby'.

Gregory B Whitby AM KSG FACE FACEL

Executive Director
Catholic Education
Diocese of Parramatta

Bethany Centre 470 Church Street Parramatta NSW 2150
Locked Bag 4 North Parramatta NSW 1750
9840 5600 www.parra.catholic.edu.au