



**Annual General Meeting - Tuesday, 14 May 2024**  
**Chair of Foundation Report**

Thank you for attending tonight's Annual General Meeting and I offer a warm welcome to members of the College's Leadership Team, members of the Foundation Board, friends, and supporters of the Foundation. Also, a welcome to those joining us online tonight.

I am filled tonight with an overwhelming sense of gratitude and appreciation for all who have contributed to our cause in various ways.

I take this opportunity to extend a sincere thank you to our donors. Their generosity has been the lifeblood of our Foundation. Their support has allowed us to make a tangible difference in the lives of our community members, whether through bursaries or the many building projects undertaken. I am so pleased to report that the number of new donors in 2023 increased to 55 – from only 18 new donors in 2022. People are hearing our message and joining us on our mission. I am happy to advise that the 2023 Impact Report will be shared with the College community within the next few weeks.

I would like to thank every member of the Foundation family. Sophie Doyle, Cecilia White, George Capozzi, Michael Roxas, and in a few minutes when we approve his nomination, new member and Chair, Steve Baldas, and members we farewell this evening, Richard Scollin, Stella Waugh, and Jon Davis – your passion, commitment and belief in the Foundation's mission inspire all of us to strive for better. You are the driving force behind all that we do, and I am very grateful to you.

There are many staff at the College who we would be lost without. Carmel, Jess, Jane, Sam, and Melissa – beyond their professional expertise, their cheerful outlook and willingness to go above and beyond in supporting us truly make a difference. Thank you all so much.

To Fr Hosking – thank you. You have been the constant for me during my time on the Foundation. You have always made yourself available for when I wanted to share something great or sometimes upon reflection maybe not so great. But you have always been there for me – always respectful, always generous with your time. And to you, Lauren – thank you for taking the Foundation under your wing so early into your appointment. You have been so thoughtful keeping me and the Foundation informed of college staff movements and how that might impact on us. You have re-engaged the Giving Day discussion and infused energy right from the start.

It has been an honor to serve on this board and I thank you for your generous and continued support of the Foundation in ensuring its ongoing support of the College community. Thank you.

Susan Dodson  
**Chair of Foundation**